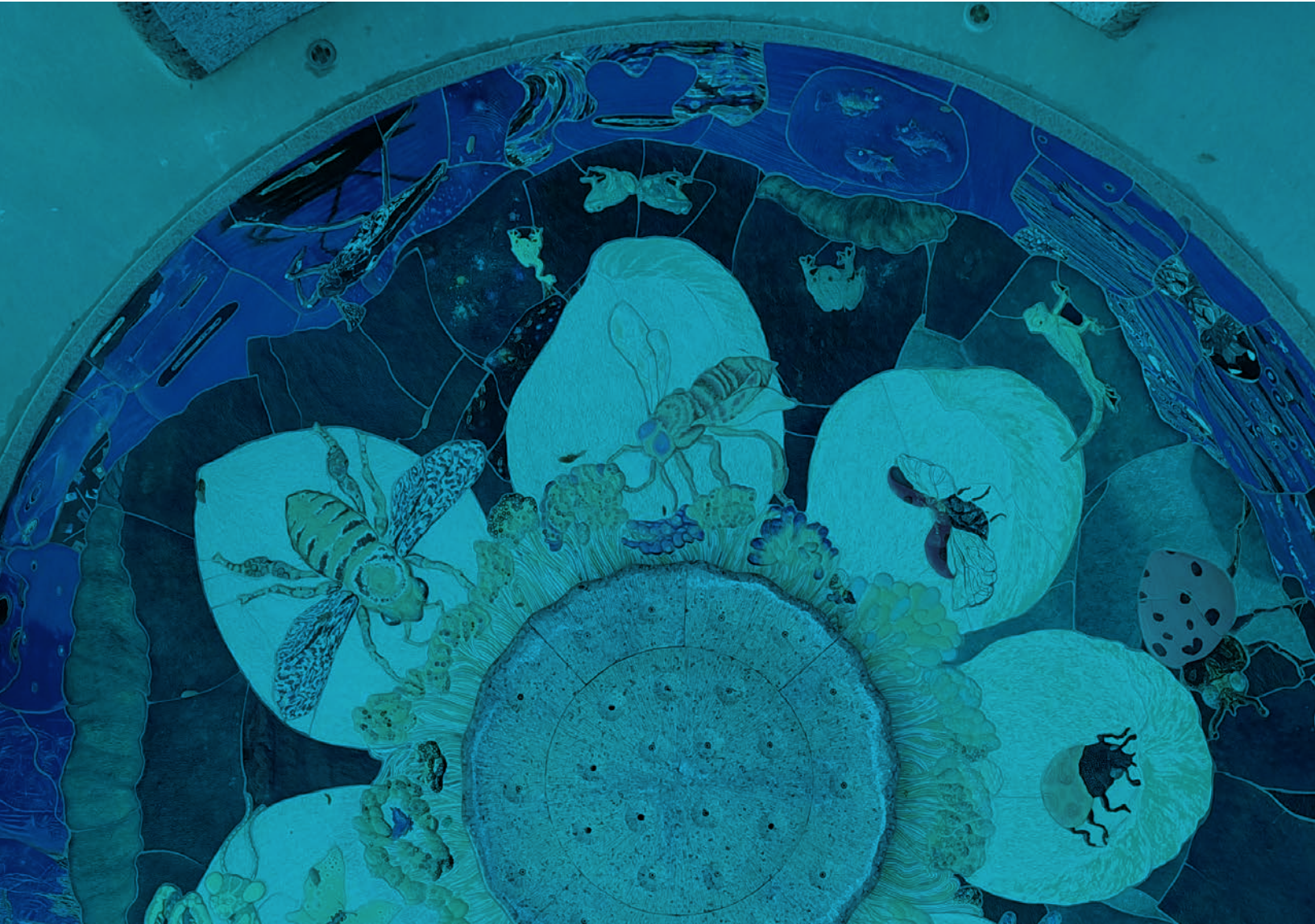




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Asian American Resource Center Master Plan Update Community Engagement Report

The City of Austin Parks and Recreation Department is developing a new vision and Master Plan for the Asian American Resource Center (AARC).



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Introduction

The City of Austin’s newest cultural facility is housed within the Parks and Recreation Department. This center represents a long-awaited dream for many in the community and was made possible through an Austin voter-approved 2006 Bond Package for \$5 million with a \$750,000 investment from the U.S. Department of Commerce’s Economic Development Administration. Members of the local Asian American Pacific Islander community contributed pro-bono services for the design. The center opened to the public on October 1, 2013.



Mission

The **mission** of the Asian American Resource Center (AARC) is to provide spaces, services, resources, and programs through an Asian American Pacific Islander perspective.

Vision

The **vision** is to empower Austin’s diverse communities through cultural understanding and life-enhancing opportunities.

Master Plan

A **master plan** is a document designed to guide the future actions of a community. It presents a vision for the future, with long-range goals and objectives for all activities that affect the future of the site.

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Master Plan Values Statements

The following statements were developed from community input during the community engagement process. The values stated have guided the master planning process in order to advance the AARC mission and vision.

- Future plans should advance the mission and vision of the center as a cultural and life-enhancing space.
- To cultivate cross cultural Asian American experiences.
- To create opportunities for intergenerational experiences both indoors and outdoors.
- The space should be flexible; capable of supporting a wide range of programming with a priority for cultural arts and active life activities.
- Design should reflect Asian American identities.
- New development must meet the present and future needs of staff (offices, storage, meeting space).
- Acknowledge and incorporate previous planning processes to the maximum extent possible.
- Use sustainable planning practices to take full advantage of current and future resources and funding.

Small Group Discussion Summary

- 10 small group discussions facilitated
- 154 participants
- Outreach conducted to over 200 organizations

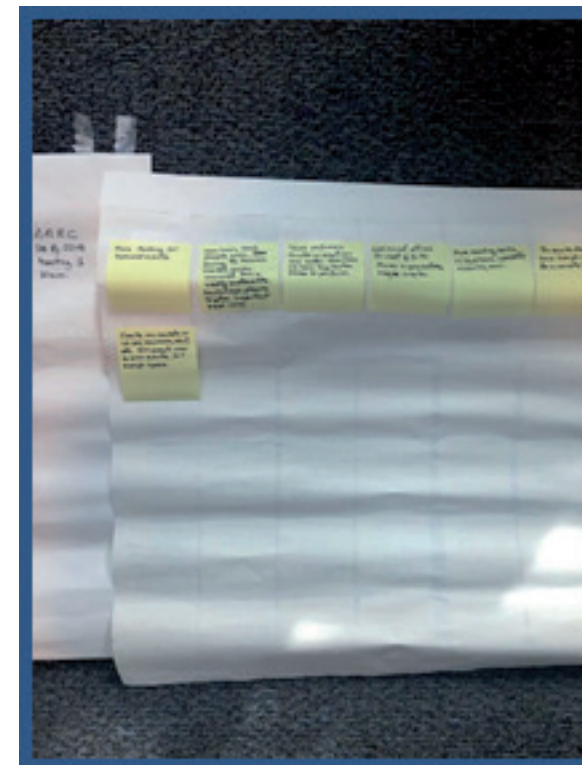
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10:00 am- 11:30 am

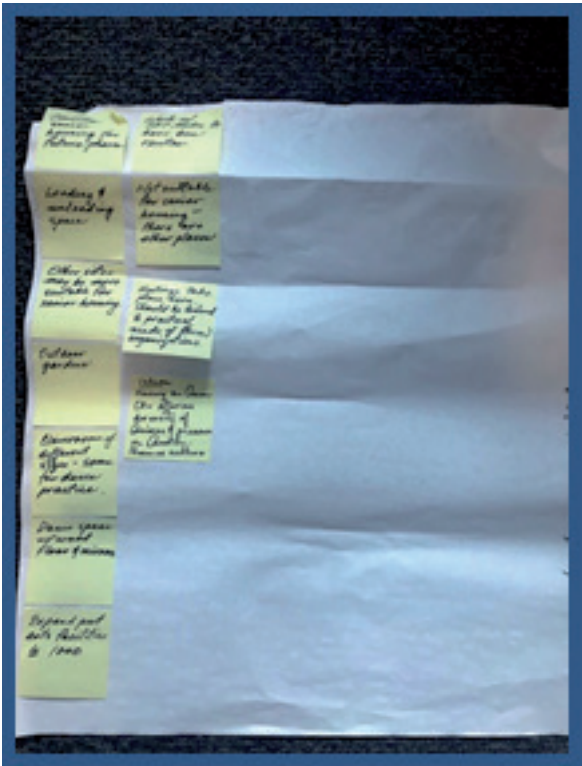
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Groups: Network of Asian American Organizations (NAAO) Groups- ACTCC



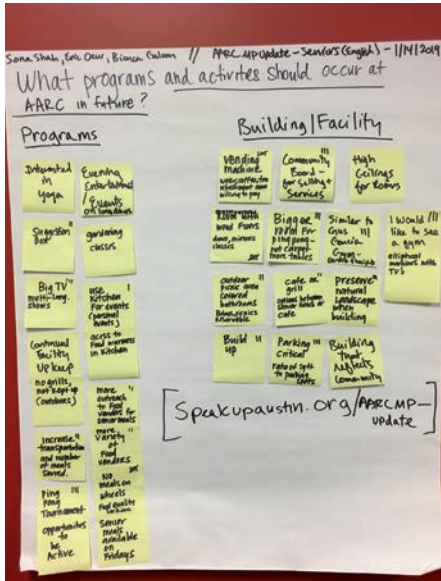
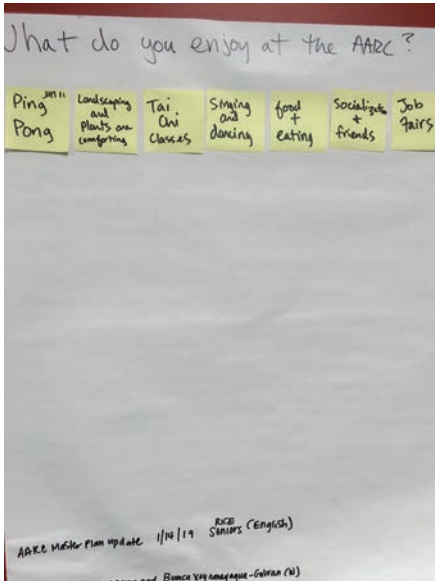
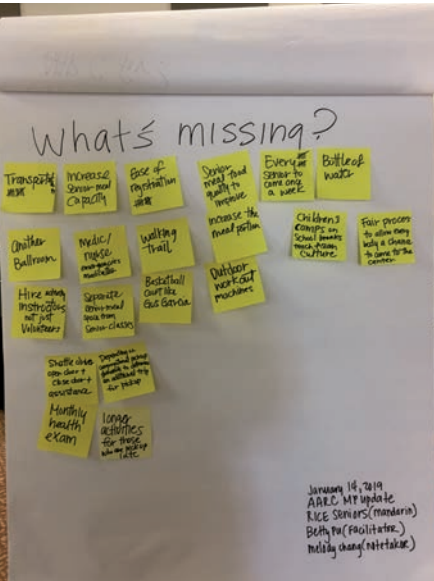
Small Group Discussion #2

Saturday, December 8, 2018
11:30 am- 1:00 pm
Asian American Resource Center Classroom #1
Groups: Network of Asian American Organizations (NAAO) Combined Groups



Small Group Discussion #3

Date: Monday, January 14, 2019
Time: 10-11:30am
Location: AARC Ballroom and Classroom 1
Group: AARC Seniors



Small Group Discussion #4

Tuesday, January 15, 2019
Time: 10:00-11:30am
Location: AARC Ballroom and Classroom 1
Groups: AARC Seniors



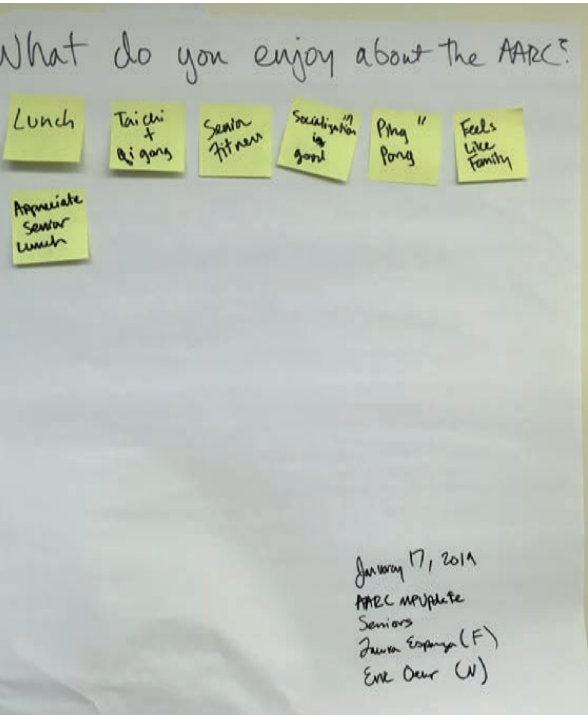
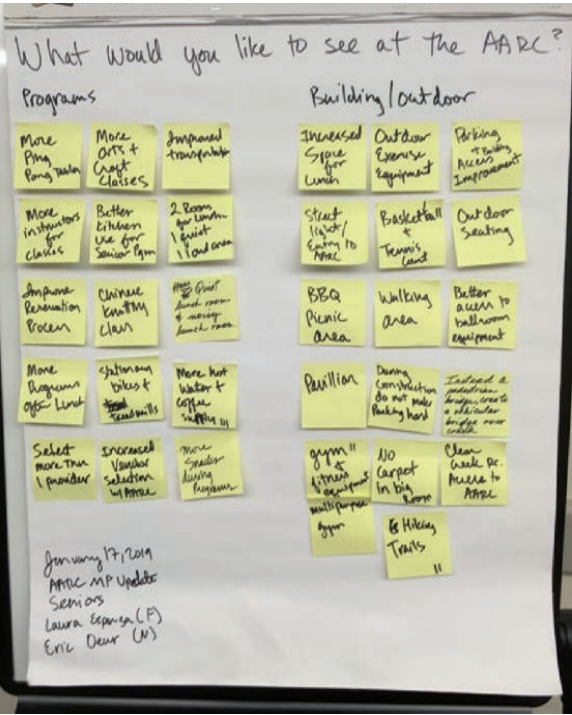
Small Group Discussion #5

Date: Wednesday, January 16, 2019
Time: 10-11:30am
Location: AARC Ballroom and Classroom 1
Group: AARC Seniors



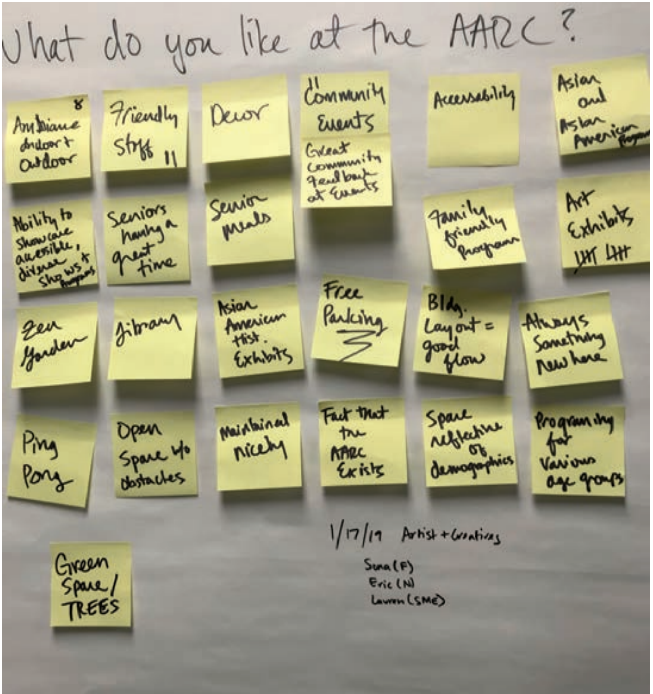
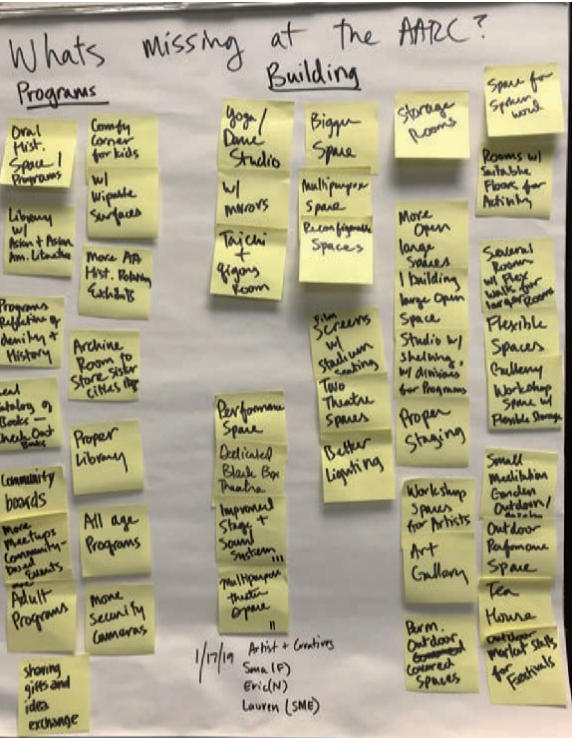
Small Group Discussion #6

Date: Thursday, January 17, 2019
Time: 10-11:30am
Location: AARC Ballroom and Conference Room
Group: AARC Seniors



Small Group Discussion #7

Date: Thursday, January 17, 2019
Time: 6:30-8pm
Location: AARC Conference Room
Groups: Artists and Creatives



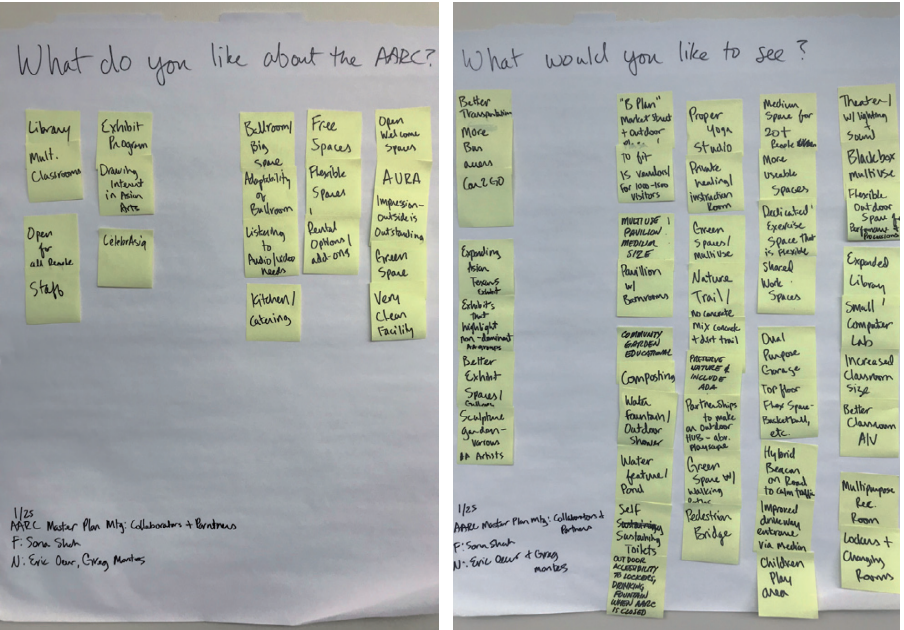
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Date: Thursday, January 24, 2019
Time: 6:30-8pm
Location: AARC Conference Room
Groups: Renters and Community Room Users



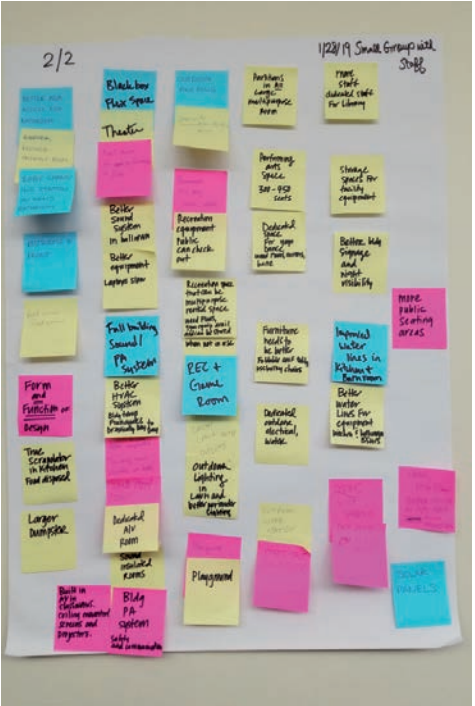
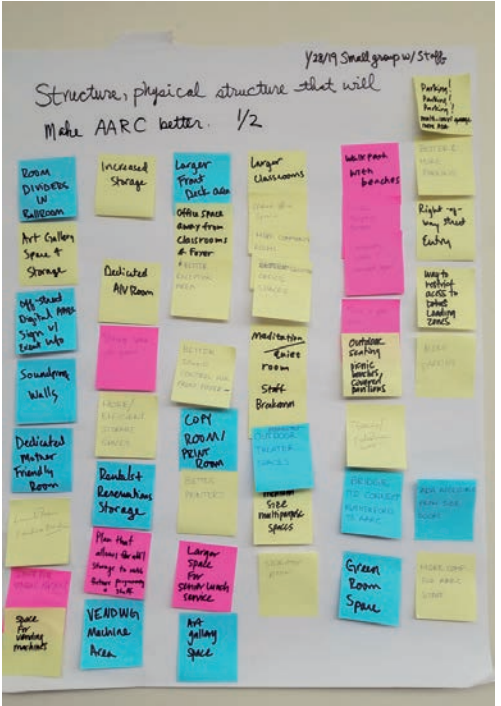
Small Group Discussion #9

Date: Friday, January 25, 2019
Time: 1-2:30pm
Location: AARC Conference Room
Groups: Partners and Collaborators



Small Group Discussion #10

Date: Monday, January 28, 2019
Time: 1:00-3pm
Location: AARC Conference Room
Group: AARC Staff



Community Engagement Feedback

Sorted by Theme

SENIOR PROGRAMS

- Nice to see senior activities here and seniors come to participate, Majong, cards, separate area
- Mahjong gives us longer life, but it is too small
- Viewings on the Big TV should be in multi-languages
- Longer activities for those who are picked up later
- Separate senior meal space from senior classes
- Hire activity instructors, not just volunteers
- Monthly health exams
- Bottles of water
- Every Senior to come once a week(10)
- Ease of Registration (10)
- A fair process to allow everyone to come to the center
- Medic/Nurse for emergencies and medication
- Games like Mahjong
- Ping-Pong
- Art crafts and Calligraphy class
- Choir and singing class
- Childcare are for grandchildren
- Community competitive activities
- Senior technology class
- Tai chi
- Mahjong sets tables
- Senior choir (3)
- Line Dancing
- Ping pong community
- Arts and Crafts
- AARC services and constant improvements
- More senior classroom space(5)
- Language classes
- Workshops about Senior Resources
- Hope the AARC gets a big budget for classes and instructors
- Ping pong gym
- Free programs on weekend for seniors so teach ping pong
- Promote Ping pong for youth to teach them the basics
- Ping pong tournament for seniors
- Buy 50-60 more balls and paddles and replacement nets
- Ping pong is our main activity here-it improves memory
- Ping pong is good for physical health as well. No carpet.
- Hard wood floor for ping pong
- Long waits for ping pong-need more room for ping pong
- Ping pong exercise improves my health
- Ping pong-more rooms and tables
- Row of hooks where we can hang coats and bags in ballroom (during activities)
- Have one building for all senior programs
- Room for Senior activities and crafts
- During daytime need classes in crochet and knitting
- Art classes were fun
- Chinese classes-not well attended
- More tai chi, outdoor dance and more gatherings
- Time is not enough at AARC-need more time at AARC
- Increase English conversation class
- More activities
- Activities catered to seniors
- Improve registration process
- Extend the RICE program time (3)
- Want English classes
- More activities, more people, more food
- More arts and craft classes
- More instructors for classes

- More programs after lunch
- Chinese knitting class
- More space for increased SAIVA members
- Senior program with more interaction among different cultural/ethnic groups
- Add educational component to the RICE program, not just food
- Revamp senior program
- More Ping Pong table, Senior Bingo, Chess, Card games, more Space for Seniors, Hot Water Drinking Fountain, More Senior Activity Space

SENIOR MEALS

- More Outreach for Food Vendors for senior meals
- Senior meals available on Fridays
- Increase transportation and number of meals served
- Increase the meal portions
- Café or grill options for senior lunch
- Improve Senior meal quality
- Increase senior meal capacity
- (Improve) Quality of Chinese Food
- Hot water dispenser access (10)
- Want a place where we can bring our own lunch
- Meeting friends-need a place to talk and have lunch
- Meal quality is poor (4)
- Cafeteria seating is limited and receive poor service (5)
- Need more tea, water, esp. the water (7)
- More hot drinks and more hot water (3)
- Don't take away drink, water, people need to drink
- Expand the senior cafeteria
- Want better food (5)
- Select more than one provider
- Increased vendor selection with AARC
- 2 rooms for lunch- loud and quiet (2)
- More snacks during program
- More hot water and coffee supplies
- Increased space for lunch
- Senior lunch registration-no way to check registration and confirmation
- Larger space for senior lunch service

SENIOR HOUSING

- No senior housing here.
- Senior house is very important. We think we can put two people per unit. The cost might not support the housing. We want to serve as many people as possible. Senior housing might not be reasonable. This is low priority.
- Consider senior housing for future phases
- Other sites may be more suitable for future senior housing
- Not suitable for senior - housing there are other places
- Senior housing needs to be near resources- SR. Ecosystem

TRANSPORTATION

- Maybe more transportation to the center.
- Depending on congregations pick-up demands to determine an additional trip for pick-up
- Shuttle driver opens door and close door for assistance
- Transportation (44)
- 20-25 passenger van
- Shuttle driver assist in getting in and out of vehicle (5)
- Big bus that take more people to center
- More shuttle pick up points (5)
- Need shuttle from Far West area because many seniors there, no bus
- More shuttles and more seats (13)
- Limited bus seating and more shuttles (18)
- Transportation important for seniors
- Better transportation access to site
- More bus access
- Car 2 Go

KITCHEN

- Use kitchen for personal events
- Access to food warmers in the kitchen
- Vending machines for paid water, coffee, refreshments
- Better Kitchen use for senior programs
- Classroom space that can be used for cooking classes
- Like Sustainable Food Center set-up
- Cooking classes in the kitchen

- True scrapolator in kitchen for food disposal
- Larger dumpster
- Improved water lines in kitchen and bathroom
- Better water lines for equipment kitchen & bathroom issues

PHYSICAL ACTIVITY

- Interested in yoga
- Ping Pong Tournament- opportunities to be active
- Bigger room for ping-pong- no carpet and more tables
- High ceilings for the rooms
- Similar to Gus Garcia Recreation Center: Gym for cardio and weights
- A gym with elliptical machines with TV's
- Basketball court like at Gus Garcia
- Senior Tai chi
- Badminton
- Dance Class
- More ping pong space; more tables; more height
- Hope to be the Tai chi cap. Of the U.S.
- Gymnasium to play badminton
- More exercise classes
- Path for exercise.
- Need exercise room with treadmill and rowing machine
- Tennis and golf classes
- Increase senior activities, gym exercise equipment
- Yoga/dance studio with mirrors
- Tai Chi and qigong room
- More Ping-pong tables
- Stationary bikes and treadmills
- Outdoor exercise equipment
- Basketball and tennis Court
- Better access to ballroom equipment
- Multi-purpose gym
- Gym and fitness equipment
- No carpet in big room
- Larger spaces for classes with movement like Aikido, judo and gymnastics
- Large open area-no tables or chairs-gym mats avail.-dedicated to dance/exercise
- Storage room for instruments, mats and equipment

- Wood floor best flooring for multi-purpose space
- Partitions for spaces allow flexibility
- Multi-purpose rooms
- Spaces with mats for Asian classes-Martial arts, physical activities
- Proper yoga studio
- Private healing/instruction room
- Lockers and changing rooms
- Staff training on CPR/1st Aid/emergencies
- Renaissance Fair/Field Trips
- Exercise Equipment
- Dance classes
- Recreation space that can be multipurpose rented space, wood floors, gym equipment available and can be stored when not in use
- Rec & game room
- Dedicated space for yoga, dance, wood floors, mirrors, barre
- Separate recreation building area
- A space or gym for people to do exercise. This is a good way to bring whole family to AARC. Adults can do exercise while children can attend art class or events
- have a sauna room, everyday yoga classroom, fitness/equipment room, steam room
- need bigger game rooms for ping pong
- Space to store mats
- A large room specificall designed for Tai Chi, Qi Gong, martial arts, and dance with a mirrored wall would be wonderful.
- large rooms for ping pong
- I suggest a yoga room and medical room
- Sound proofing ping pong.
- Pool, baseball field, gym
- Gym, pool, baseball field

MEETING SPACE/CLASSROOMS/PROGRAMS IN GENERAL

- Meeting (space) is very important because we pay less here. A hotel charges more. We use sponsorships to pay.
- Classroom sometimes reserved by repeated user and they are never able to other users.
- Rooms should have multiple use: play IMAX; projectors, lights.
- Use the facility for meeting people.
- For the government to come and host events. We need to know how the American government

- works and how to become citizens.
- We need to invite our sister city citizens to visit (Taichun).
- The classroom should be double in size to hold 30-40 individuals.
- Separate building for classrooms and offices.
- New Bldg. for classrooms of different sizes.
- Expand current bldg. with several classrooms
- Meetings take place here should be tailored for the Asian organizations
- Inside more classrooms
- Kids play room (2)
- Additional classrooms
- Additional community rooms (2)
- Additional art studios (2)
- Assembly Hall(2)
- Ballroom
- Multi-purpose room
- Subdivide big room
- Bigger rooms
- Language classes
- Career development classes
- Cooking classes
- Make better use of the current bldg.: install partitions in ballroom
- Some people do not like the partitions because of the sounds
- Oral History
- Programs Reflecting identity and history
- More meet ups community based events
- Adult programs
- Sharing gifts and ideas exchange
- Archive room to store sister city's item
- All age programs
- Studio with shelving with divisions for different programs
- Workshop spaces for artists
- More access to free community rooms
- More frequency of community rooms
- Need larger rooms and room # 8 is too small
- Offer multiple classes to community
- Game room for darts, karem and ping-pong
- Medium space/room for 20+ people

- Small computer lab
- Increase classroom size
- Better classroom A/V
- Multipurpose rec room
- Need a medical room and yoga room
- Yoga space essential activity, not ancillary
- Bigger classrooms (yoga, doll making)
- Intergenerational programming
- Asian American history programs for all ages - seniors, adults, youth
- Instructor split option
- Social justice programs on AAPI history and communities of color
- Discussion groups and speakers on current affairs
- More partnerships with other PARD's programs and divisions (Nature/Rec)
- More collaborative partnerships
- Nature programming
- Movie night
- More diverse groups
- Host a Tet festival/other big holidays from different cultures
- Interethnic programs
- Cooking classes
- Room dividers in ballroom
- Soundproof wall
- Dedicated A/V room
- Meditation/quiet room
- Medium size multipurpose spaces
- More community rooms
- Sound insulated rooms
- Space for Educational Programming is imperative since AARC holds the space for AAPI cultural engagement at a community/city level. At a higher institutional/community level you have the capacity to outreach to these communities, don't lose that focus.
- More tables/spaces and better floors for the ping pong rooms
- More freely available meeting spaces
- The facility to be open on Sundays and more after business hours - Most community programs are run by volunteers who can only help during non-business hours.
- Larger multipurpose spaces, currently AARC does not have medium sized spaces, dance flooring, sound insulation

- recreation space be seperated from the main building, seperate classroom for ESL (it smells like a gym)
- clean more and bigger classrooms
- needs a dedicated library and history/heritage room, with AV facilities for oral history and archives
- exercise room, ample library, movie theater
- need more classrooms and maybe a larger area that will allow larger groups to meet and work
- larger classroom space with media support; larger library/resource room; computer lab; self-serve food
- Having a larger classroom or/and rehearsal space. Not as big as the main room, but bigger than the classrooms.
- Office for the staff in the existing or new building,
- Technology: built in projector, computer lab
- Bigger whiteboards in classrooms; more stability in projectors
- Yoga studio, theater outdoor, trails, outdoor garden, exhibit space, more projectors in classrooms
- Capacity-building and services for immigrants and refugees, cultural programming for 2nd and 3rd gen folks, not all food, fashion, and heritage (TM)
- Gift Exchange and Wellness programs for adults & children e.g. yoga, martial arts
- holistic yoga class is very good class to add to AARC progam
- more workshops and events that are all ages, regular book club, community dinners
- guide for people about the responsibilities in the USA as many are green card holders
- Classes/discussions regarding race consciousness, tackling oppressive systems as Asian Americans, talking about activism
- Activities for folks with mobility issues

OUTDOOR USES

- Outdoor use of the 15 acres mostly trees and we have a lot of restrictions like flood zones and heritage trees.
- Outdoor: Tai chi, exercise, meditation spaces. Maybe, we could build underground.
- Outdoor storm water management would enable us to create trails in the woods.
- Outdoor tai chi, we have big green spaces to use for picnics, meditation, outdoor exhibits and use for other activities.
- Outdoor exhibit space.
- Keep the big green outdoor area, use as a multi-purpose space.

- Parking
- Bridge
- Shaded structure
- Picnic benches
- We need lots of outdoor space
- In first Master Plan we did not show as many trees of significant size
- Water feature with bridge over water
- Chinese garden in back
- We need to spend more money on water retention pond
- Outdoor stage
- Small Meditation garden/great outdoor gazebo
- Outdoor market stalls for festivals
- Tea house
- Outdoor performance space
- Permanent outdoor spaces-covered spaces
- Outdoor exercise equipment
- Outdoor seating
- BBQ Picnic
- Walking area
- Pavilion
- Hiking trails
- Flexible outdoor space
- Concrete floor pavilion
- Outdoor benches
- General purpose wall outdoors to hit balls, project movies
- BBQ pits, water fountains, outlets outdoors
- Picnic space, flat grass for more flexible outdoor space for activities
- Like Site map allows for joint outdoor/indoor activities
- Covered walk-way or covered bridge between buildings
- Outdoor movies (screen seating)
- Gathering place for outdoor events
- Outdoor lighting
- Covered pavilions
- Large outdoor space needed for night markets and festivals
- Outdoor rotating sculpture garden from various Asian American artists
- Multiuse pavilion medium size

- Pavilion with bathrooms
- Community garden educational
- Composting
- Water fountains outside/outdoor showers
- Water feature outside/pond
- Self sustaining toilets
- Outdoor accessibility to lockers, drinking fountains when AARC is closed
- Green spaces/multiuse
- Nature trails/no concrete
- Mix concrete and dirt trails
- Preserve nature and include ADA
- Partnerships to make an outdoor HUB - abv. playscape
- Green space with walking paths
- Pedestrian bridge
- Flexible outdoor space for performances and processions
- Gardening
- Gardening lessons
- Trails
- Need benches outdoor seating
- Covered outdoor area
- Compost area
- Environmental programs - connecting people to nature
- Permanent outdoor theater space
- Outdoor sculpture garden
- Community garden/composting space
- Trails in green area
- Outdoor seating picnic benches/covered pavilions
- Permanent ping pong rooms outside
- Lights in the great lawn with outlets
- Outdoor lighting in lawn and better perimeter lighting
- Playground
- Dedicated outdoor electrical water
- Outdoor work station
- More public seating areas
- Outdoor ping pong
- Small 50 by 50 feet rubber fenced in play area for soccer/basketball
- Outdoor work station outdoor playground, amenities for kids

- Community garden, educational opportunity, connecting children to nature at AISD school parks
- Seating, organic garden, gathering space, kids play area, amphitheater, performing space, trails
- Outside of the building very dark and not very decorative (you can't look at the outside and tell what the inside is about)
- lighting, seating areas, outdoor stage, outdoor facilities such as restrooms, electricity and water access for outdoor events, playground
- An area for festivals that can accommodate 2,000 to 3,000 attendees. Provide large tents for accidental rains on event days.
- Pavillion, maybe an outdoor amphitheater, playscape and swing, oriental pond
- Have an outdoor performance space and parking
- Bamboo garden with trails
- More shaded gazebo/pavilion and walking trail. More exercise equipment for seniors.
- Outdoor easy to use and operate community kitchen

EVENT SPACE

- Special Event celebrations: Lunar New Year, Chinese New Year, Vietnamese, Taiwanese celebrate in January. Lantern festival and May Asian Feast with over 1000 people. July is the ghost month; Sept. Moon Festival; Oct. Day of Nation; April is another big event at Zilker with over 1000 people; End of year parties.
- To increase participation, divide the big room.
- We want to take the next step to host more events and activities
- Original plan is put up partitions in the ballroom.
- Extend the Main Hall and add partitions.
- Another ballroom
- Assembly Hall(2)
- Ballroom
- Multi-purpose room
- Asian Heritage Festival
- Family adult programming
- People have place to host event, especially Asian community
- Groups have access to rooms to practice our dances
- More audio and friendly sound system for indoor public concerts
- Chinese New Year celebration every year
- Bengali community involved on Asia Fest
- More open large spaces
- Space for spoken word

- Appreciate Senior Lunch
- Several room with flexible walls for larger rooms
- Reservation system not good, need online access
- Medium sized party space for 50-100 people
- Better sound system in ballroom
- Bigger event space
- More flexible booking options

PERFORMING ARTS

- Indoor and outdoor performance theater, but do not cut the trees.
- 300-500 or maybe smaller like 150 seating for a performance space to keep cost lower.
- Use for dance. Some senior centers support 100 people dancing. The Ballroom is carpeted so it will not work.
- AFFA uses this space for dance and it is too small. There are spaces for dance, yoga, in other places.
- The stage needs to be enlarged and stairs added to access the stage.
- All the events are centered on performances.
- Most of the building use is for performance arts. We need a room for 1000 person capacity.
- Bigger stage is needed.
- Use rooms in current facility for green room/dressing room
- Performing arts require a taller space with 30% devoted to the stage
- Repurpose the bldg. as a performing art center
- Loading and unloading space
- Classroom of different sizes-some for dance practice
- Dance space with wood floors and mirrors
- Expand performance arts to 1000
- Evening entertainment
- A multi-purpose room with wood floors with mirrors for dance class;
- Music rehearsal space
- Performance Center Theater
- Keyboard for music rehearsal
- Performance theater
- Theater
- Need a real theater
- Moonflower Dance-we practice here but only 2x; Also fashion show
- Performance Space

- Dedicated Black box Theater
- Improved Stage and Sound system
- Multi-purpose theater space
- Bigger space
- Reconfigurable spaces
- Multi-purpose spaces
- Film screenings with stadium seating
- Two theater spaces
- Better lighting
- Storage rooms
- Large open building space
- Proper staging
- Outdoor performance space
- Theater needs backstage, good lighting, good stage
- Theater similar to Carver, but bigger
- Theater/Performance space for 250-300 individuals
- Desire to foster arts but need the space
- Theater Performing Arts Auditorium, 300-400
- Blackbox multi-use
- Theater with lighting and sound
- Theater space
- Asia themed performing arts
- More performing arts
- Green room space
- Performing arts space 300-450 seats
- Blackbox flex space
- Theater
- Real theater for performances and films
- Green rooms/dressing rooms for performing arts space. Also would love to have a larger stage areas for performances, because existing stage is rather small and ceiling is fairly low.
- We need a performance space that can be used for live theatre, live comedy, open mic, concerts, film screenings. Preferably a tiered auditorium or black box theatre.
- A high quality performing center
- Large stage, dedicated light / sound system for performances, a backstage area, green room, additional changing rooms.
- performing area should have a proper stage
- artist need a "green room" to change costumes. It would be helpful to have a room that has curtains and full length mirror

- Adequate stage and theater lights, dressing rooms, art and music classrooms that are appropriate for different mediums (classrooms are not soundproof at all), no dedicated gallery space, classrooms are a bit too small currently

EXHIBITIONS

- Exhibition Hall- Right now, we are using the hallways but we need a separate exhibit space. Maybe, we could have multi-purpose use like use the theater to display the art.
- Gallery
- Exhibit of Asian culture
- More community exhibits
- More exhibit room
- More AA history with rotating exhibits
- Gallery workshop space with flexible storage
- Expanding Asian Texans exhibit
- Exhibits that highlight non-dominant Asian American groups
- Better exhibit/gallery space
- Interactive art exhibit openings
- Artists demonstrations, teaching. Murals. A sculpture garden.
- The center needs a dedicated gallery space, studio spaces and classrooms for summer camps.
- I'd like to see a more formal, expanded gallery space specifically designed for art and artists that is open to the public.
- I think the Gallery or Exhibition should be extended. Community room for people to share some information about asian culture.
- Art gallery space & storage

CHILDREN'S PROGRAMMING

- We brought our grandson to Chinese event to learn about Chinese yo-yo. This would not have happened without the AARC
- Community corner for kids with cleanable surfaces
- Children play area
- Programs for young adults
- More children activities - partnerships with children organizations (Girl Scouts)
- More play space for children.

LIBRARY

- Library can be used to read and check out books about many cultures. Library brings people together. We want learning opportunities such as cultures and languages. Bring people together.

- We need a collection of cultural books. The library could house books about our heritage.
- More Chinese books and magazines at the library
- Expand library-Chinese books
- Library with Asian and Asian American Lit.
- Real catalog of books- check out books
- Proper library
- Expanded library
- Library better equipped, more seating, larger
- More books/lending
- Library needs to be expanded
- Library check out system
- Real library
- Better library system
- More dedicated staff for library

PARKING

- Parking is very important.
- Garages are very expensive, so we want a bridge between the Center and next door so we can use this parking lot.
- For 5000 people, the parking is used and the parking next door is not enough,
- So far there is enough parking for the overflow for our main events on evenings and weekends. We do not want to spend money on garages. We want a bridge to connect the center and the other side of the street.
- A bridge could cost \$150,000-200,000.00 or more.
- Bridge for parking next door.
- Parking garage to address the parking shortage.
- Parking is critical: ratio of sq. ft. to parking spots is not good
- Flexible parking
- Car bridge to parking lot next door
- More Parking
- New building more important than parking
- Multi-story parking for large events
- More parking is critical
- Multi-story parking garage
- Dual purpose parking garage - Top floor flex space for basketball court etc.
- More land for parking
- Parking! Parking! Parking! Multi-level garage/More ADA spaces

- Better and more parking
- Parking/pedestrian walk
- Park hours 300-500 spaces (?)
- Parking during business hours
- Better parking arrangement. Not necessarily more spaces, but agreements with nearby facilities to use their space in non-Business hours. Perhaps a gof cart to shuttle older people from nearby lots.
- Easier access to building from outside. Having to turn around when I drive through parking lot to exit can be improved.

ACCESS

- Crossing the street is dangerous
- Work with CAP Metro to have bus routes
- Crossing Cameron Rd is dangerous
- The AARC needs a bridge right away.
- Access by road is difficult going south
- If building a separate building there should be a sky bridge or a path to connect the two buildings
- Gateway structure (?)
- Colorful gate
- I do not like the street adjacent to Cameron-better to have two buildings adjacent to Cameron
- Study # 1: Make traffic on-way with one entrance and one exit
- Street light at Cameron Road
- Building to connect each other, not outside walk way
- Parking for seniors must be closer to building
- More towards central/west Austin(2)
- Connect building together
- Access to Main Bldg. from backside-too far.
- Instead a pedestrian bridge, create a vehicular bridge over the creek
- During construction do not make parking hard
- Clean creek -access to AARC (?)
- Hard to leave AARC, have to make a U-turn
- Hybrid Beacon on road to calm traffic
- Improved driveway entrance via median
- ADA accessible bridge
- Bridge to connect Rutherford to AARC
- Right of way street entry
- Ways to restrict access to loading zones
- ADA accessible from side doors

- Left turn or a traffic light
- Please improved ability to enter and exit the building parking lot. If coming from North on Dessau you will have to make a U-turn to enter and if coming south from Dessau will have to make a U-turn to leave
- foot bridge to easily access the police parking lot from the AARC parking lot. Canopies on the outdoor lawns for people to enjoy the outside.
- Removal of road median so cars do not have to do dangerous u-turns and circle around on Cameron Rd, dedicated performing arts stage or black box theatre, more to do outside (maybe a playground), brighter lighting at night for safety.
- The bldg is difficult to access. The bus stops are a long way from the center, especially from the north. There are no accessible entrances on the south side of the bldg.

ASIA STYLE STREET

- Art studio and Asian style streets. 10 Asian stores for a private investor/government venture.
- Area for lots of vendors and more space needed for vendors
- Asian style market with Asian products
- Asian street with bldg.-2 buildings with street in the middle
- Place for parade and plaza for dances
- Commercial zone with consulate offices, Asian style commercial bazaar
- Parking and Building Access Improvement
- "B Plan" - Market street and outdoor plaza to fit 15 vendors/for 1000-1500 visitors

TRADITIONS/CULTURAL EXCHANGE

- Activities for Asian communities: Culture center should carry the traditions of the Asian communities and bring the kids to see the traditions.
- 30,000 Indians in Austin now. For years we talked about having a place to meet and extend culture for our kids, a multi-generational experience
- Asians come together to learn about each other and come to a community center to learn about each other's culture
- Values: Having an Asian Center affirms diversity of Asians and presence in Austin, preserve culture.
- Children's camps about Asian culture during school breaks
- Asian heritage
- Our identity
- Languages cultural exchanges

- Become heart of Asian Community
- Important to maintain culture through food

OTHER

- Houston Asian Society is a privately owned foundation. New York and Houston built a wonderful space.
- Asian population has increased 8% or 120,000
- Many of us are involved with the City through boards and Commissions. We are giving to the City. This center is for the entire City, bringing the City together.
- Here the City connects with the community. We are a national model for Pan-Asian Center.
- Demonstrate to the nation how Asian cultures can work together.
- How can this be affordable.
- Round Rock has rooms with capacity for 800, 400, 250 and 100 which are affordable.
- Too small and too expensive for a Chinese School
- Not enough free rooms-affordability is an issue
- Give discounts to nonprofits
- Raising prices: too expensive
- Too small and too expensive for a Chinese school
- Not enough free rooms- affordability is an issue
- No Meals on Wheels- food quality is lacking
- Suggestion box
- Building trust that reflects the community
- Community Board for selling and providing services
- Staff improved problem solving
- More meetings like this to small group to share experiences
- More evening and weekend hours
- Need more than 6 months to book here
- More security cameras
- Community boards
- Promote options that allow people to use bldg
- Built in speakers and audio input for all rooms
- More usable space
- Off-street digital AARC sign with event info
- Dedicated mother friendly room
- Lunch room, vending room
- Space for vending machine
- Storage space for staff

- More efficient/storage spaces
- Rentals and reservations storage
- Plan that allows for additional storage to match future programming and staff
- Larger front desk area
- Office space away from classrooms & foyer
- Better reception area
- Better sound control for front foyer
- Copy room/print room
- Better printers
- More office space
- Quieter office spaces
- Meditation/quiet room
- Staff breakroom
- Mother friendly room
- Ways to restrict access to loading zones
- Baby changing station in men's bathroom
- Restrooms in front
- Add more restrooms
- Form AND function of design
- Better HVAC system, building temp fluctuates drastically day to day
- Too many microclimates, better building temperature
- Sound proof rooms
- Storage room
- More comp. for AARC staff (?)
- Better equipment, laptops slow
- Full building sound/PA system; Building PA system for safety and communication
- Sound proof rooms
- Recreation equipment public can check out
- Better building signage and night visibility
- Rooms with windows
- Solar panels
- Storage space for facility equipment
- Furniture needs to be better foldable, configure tables, less bulky chairs

Network of Asian American Organizations (NAAO) Survey

Last year, the Network of Asian American Organizations (NAAO) conducted their own survey for the next phase expansion of the AARC. As of December 21, 2017, approximately 756 people completed the survey and ranked the following indoor and outdoor spaces from highest priority (top) to lowest priority (bottom).

Results from the NAAO survey is included in the community engagement phase of AARC Master Planning process.

Indoor Space Priorities

1. Performance theater (300-500 sloped seats) - 43.8%
2. Senior Housing - 20.9%
3. Additional Classrooms - 12.6%
4. Additional Meeting Rooms - 7.9%
5. Asian Art Studios/Stores - 5.2%
6. Additional Exhibit Space - 4.5%
7. Additional Office Spaces - 3.1%
8. Others - 2.1%

Outdoor Space Priorities

1. Additional Parking Spaces - 52.7%
2. Asian Style Street - 12.3%
3. Outdoor Tai-Chi/ Chi-Gong/ Meditation Space - 11.6%
4. Outdoor Picnic Areas - 10.2%
5. Outdoor Amphitheater - 9.3%
6. Outdoor Art Exhibit Spaces - 3.9%

Community Meeting #1 Summary

Tuesday, December 11, 2018
6:00 pm- 8:00 pm
Asian American Resource Center, Ballroom
(Language Services Provided)

General comments:

1. Entry Important
2. Convert into offices and classrooms/ management rooms (Existing center)
3. Maximize sq. ft. in the areas where building could be built
4. 1000 seats capacity performance center with collapsible seats with awning
5. Covered walkway with glass top (curved) covers
6. Space for students Robotics (FLL and FTC) to stone fields and equipment. Run competitions
7. Café area with internet access
8. Need Small/ Medium/ Large classrooms, some with wooden floors
9. Need Multiple performance Arts/ Music area, different sizes and a Steinway Piano
10. Make more space, claim every inch
11. Small Clinic for seniors and Children
12. Theatre
13. Sound level in the current space needs to be managed.
14. The entrance needs to welcome people showing its always open to Austin people to share many different cultural stories.
15. In the evening, the pedestrian road is too dark to walk or enter the outdoor space
16. College connections information center
17. Need space to offer music arts lessons
18. Community - use cooking space near garden/ showcase with culture w. food
19. Classrooms with wood floors, Y.E.S. (Yoga education in schools) would love to work with R.I.C.E and kids and train with yoga.
20. Yoga studio, medium size with wood floors
21. Music and Cultural Space
22. Need space for violin/ piano rentals, small chamber for music groups
23. Asian sister cities offices/ showcase
24. Co-locating intergenerational activities
25. People come to AARC to enjoy activities and amenities. Make plans to fit that
26. We do not need a park, pool, or Recreational

- center. We need a buildings and amenities that target the growing needs.
27. Yoga for Kids
 28. Mental health counseling space
 29. Ability to model programs for other non-Asian facilities in Austin-spread art in all areas of Austin
 30. Housing with work opportunity for refugees' services/ asylees close
 31. Age-friendly access- current ramp is for those with disabilities drop-off at same level
 32. Need Japanese room with Tatami to expose to tea ceremony, flower arranging and other arts
 33. Need performance arts center with capacity of 1000 SRO
 34. Multipurpose Theatre for film, stage, speaking, music, and reception engagements. 900 seats would be great.
 35. Space for lectures about Asian history arts, cultures, religions
 36. Gym space

Outdoor related comments:

37. Making playground for children in outdoor space such as natural area
38. Food Truck Park
39. Outdoor area for Tai-chi and exercise
40. Direct transport from where Asian Americans live in Austin
41. Please reclaim this area for facilities (natural areas)
42. Nature trail and pavilion in lower nature area
43. Central part of Natural Area could be used (No Heritage Trees)
44. Take advantage of terrain to increase parking
45. Bridge is most important
46. Japanese style Bridge over the pond
47. Need covered walkways between buildings
48. Sports facility eg. Basketball court
49. The off-site parking is too far for the elderly. Make sure there is enough on-site to accommodate the elderly.
50. Outdoor gym for daily activities
51. Public transportation/ bus route destination



Feasibility Study #1 | Comments

- 1. Maximize building space combine with #2 Amenities



Feasibility Study #2 | Comments

- 1. 54 parking space is not enough, maybe 100+ parking spaces
- 2. Larger Building instead of outdoor program areas.
- 3. Maximize functional space, instead of outdoor program area by new building
- 4. Make room for large building
- 5. Maximize functional space, instead of outdoor program area



Feasibility Study #3 | Comments

- 1. Proposed building should be much bigger, too much wasted space
- 2. Create large facility adjacent to current facilities

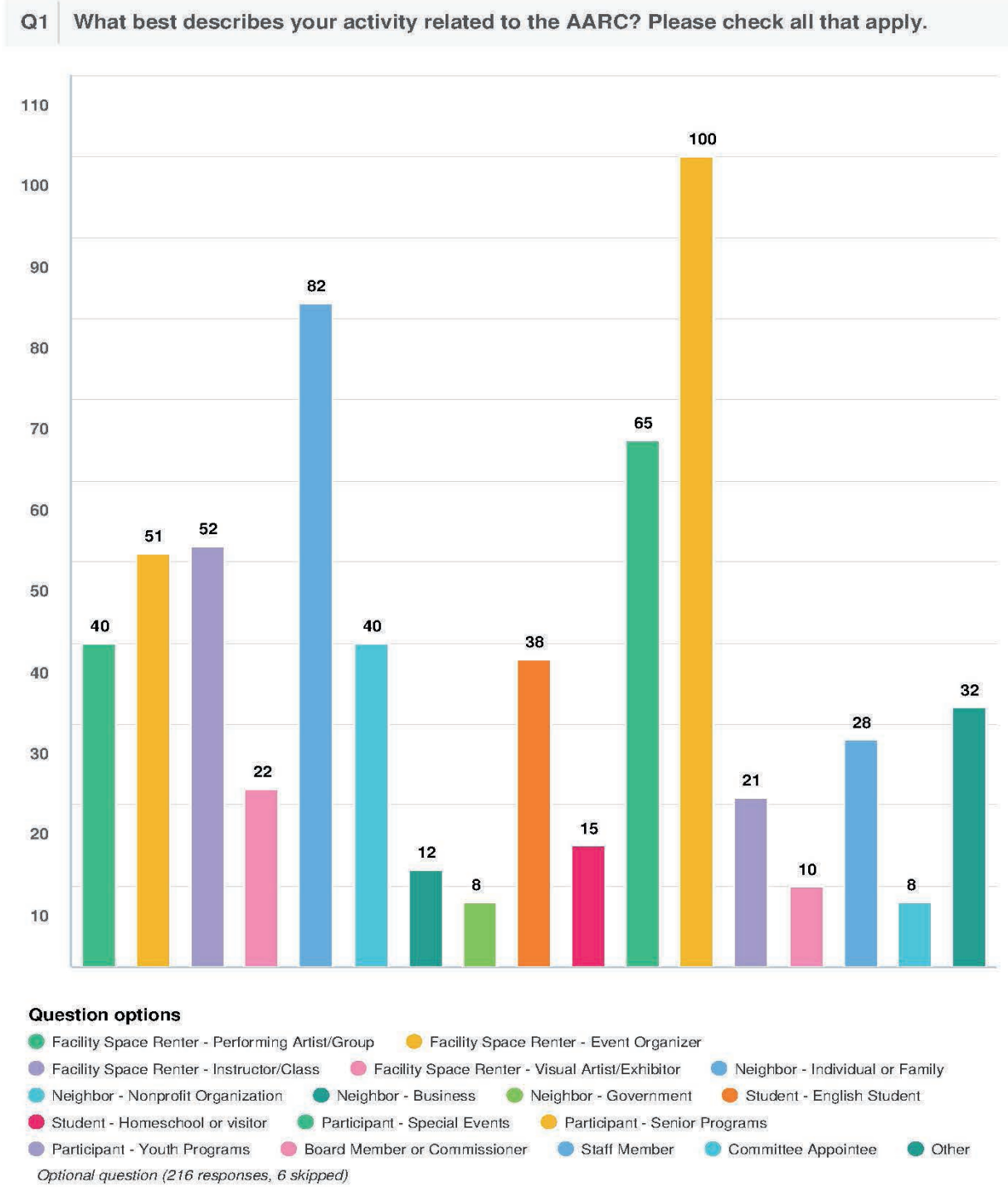


Values and Programming Community Survey

The Values and Programming Survey was translated into Traditional and Simplified Chinese, Vietnamese, Korean, Myanmar (Burmese), and Arabic. It was open to the community from December 11, 2018 to January 28, 2019. The survey was promoted through AARC emails, at events, and social media platforms.



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Anonymous 1/18/2019 09:40 AM	member
Anonymous 1/18/2019 09:46 AM	Saiva
Anonymous 1/18/2019 09:56 AM	saivia activities
Anonymous 1/25/2019 11:44 PM	VITA tax volunteer
Anonymous 1/29/2019 11:45 AM	School board
Anonymous 1/29/2019 03:29 PM	Teach Tai Chi
Anonymous 1/30/2019 08:47 AM	Community member, school board, St. John's area
Anonymous 1/30/2019 08:50 AM	Community School board meeting
Anonymous 1/30/2019 09:01 AM	Student - VSL
Anonymous 1/30/2019 09:19 AM	Student - Vietnamese
Anonymous 1/30/2019 09:22 AM	Student - Vietnamese
Anonymous 1/30/2019 09:27 AM	Student - Vietnamese
Anonymous 1/30/2019 09:29 AM	Student - Vietnamese
Anonymous 1/30/2019 09:39 AM	Vietnamese student
Anonymous	Renter of classroom

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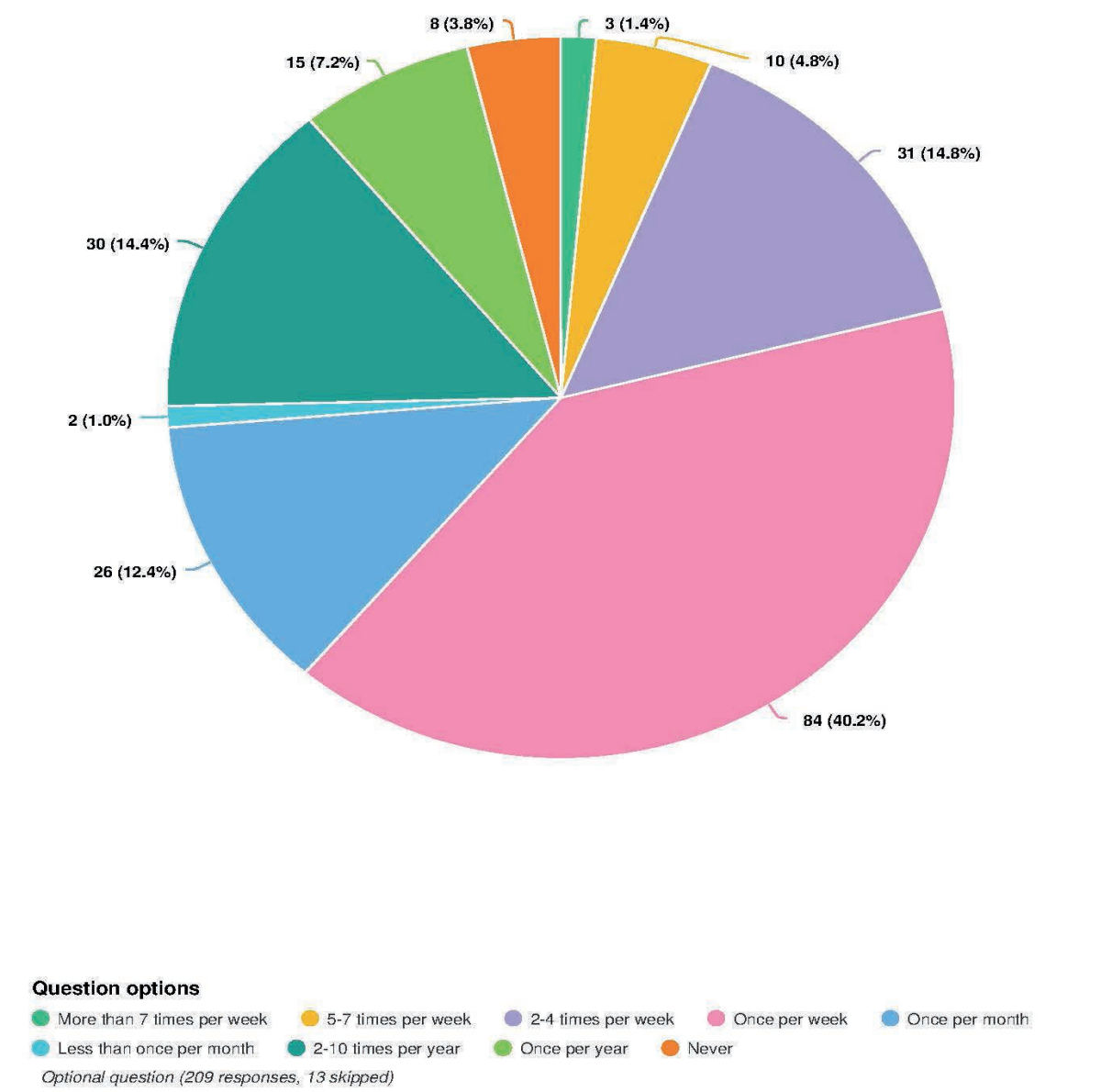
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1/30/2019 09:58 AM	
Anonymous	Community member and visitor
1/31/2019 02:06 PM	
Anonymous	Attend events multiple times/year
1/31/2019 02:13 PM	

Optional question (19 responses, 203 skipped)

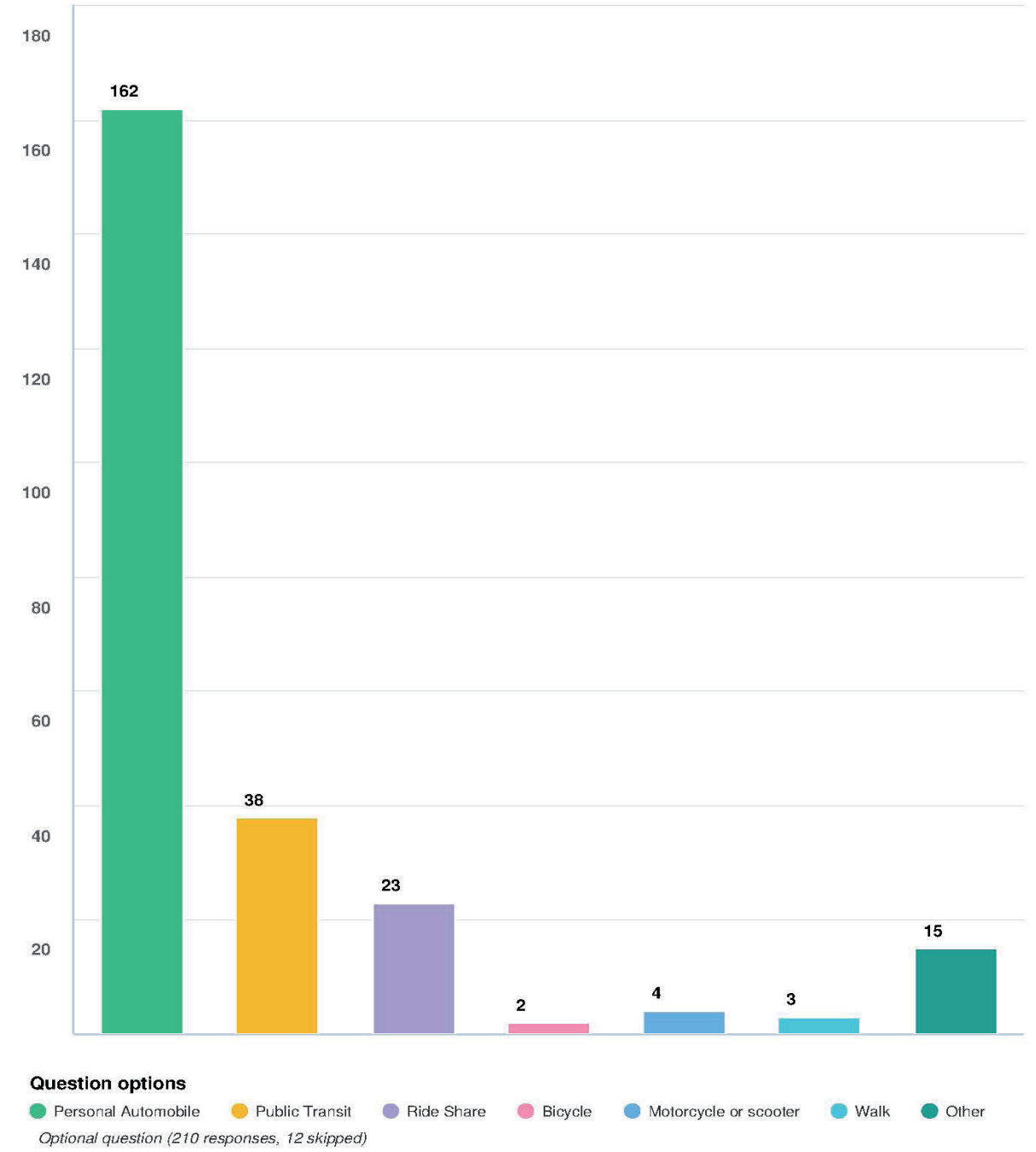
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Q3 How often do you visit the AARC?



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Q4 What form(s) of transportation do you use to access the AARC. (Select all that apply.)

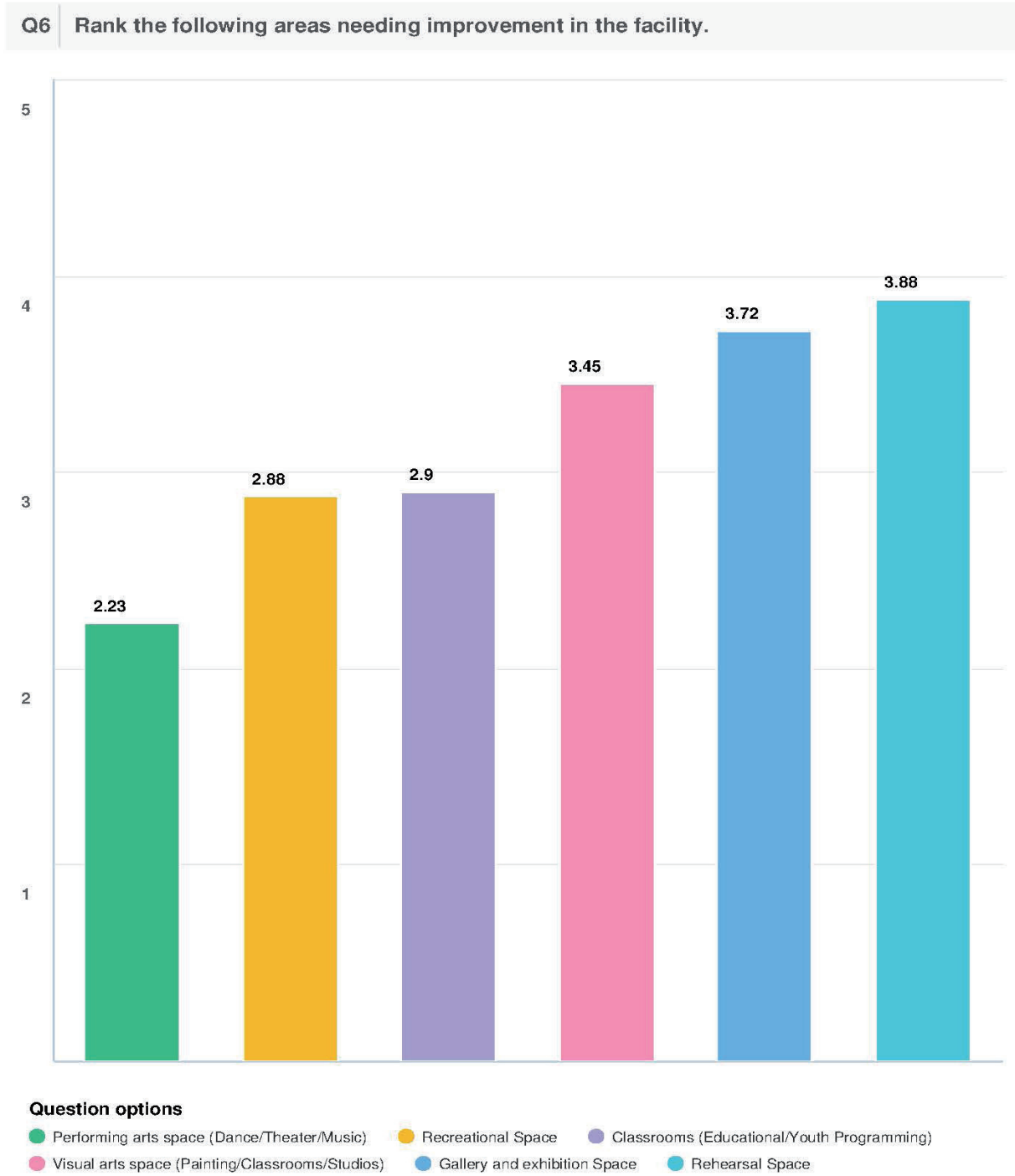


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Q5	Please specify
Anonymous 1/10/2019 08:07 PM	AARC transportation service
Real Austin 1/16/2019 09:04 PM	Not applicable
Anonymous 1/18/2019 09:40 AM	saiva vehicle
Anonymous 1/18/2019 10:22 AM	cab
Anonymous 1/29/2019 12:14 PM	AARC Transportation
Anonymous 1/29/2019 03:22 PM	Senior Transportation provided by AARC, Hope there is more transportation.
Anonymous 1/29/2019 04:35 PM	AARC Transportation
Anonymous 1/30/2019 10:28 AM	My husband
Anonymous 1/30/2019 03:17 PM	Shuttle
Anonymous 1/30/2019 03:22 PM	My child drops me off at the shuttle pickup point
Anonymous 1/30/2019 03:26 PM	AARC Transportation
Anonymous 1/30/2019 03:27 PM	AARC transportation
Anonymous 1/30/2019 03:36 PM	shuttle

Optional question (13 responses, 209 skipped)

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Q7 What improvements are needed to the space you prioritized?	
Anonymous 12/12/2018 10:45 AM	A space or gym for people to do exercise. This is a good way to bring whole family to AARC. Adults can do exercise while children can attend art class or events
Anonymous 12/15/2018 11:04 AM	Space for Educational Programming is imperative since AARC holds the space for AAPI cultural engagement at a community/city level. At a higher institutional/community level you have the capacity to outreach to these communities, don't lose that focus.
Anonymous 12/19/2018 02:29 PM	Green rooms/dressing rooms for performing arts space. Also would love to have a larger stage areas for performances, because existing stage is rather small and ceiling is fairly low.
Anonymous 12/19/2018 03:24 PM	classroom
Anonymous 12/19/2018 06:35 PM	We need a performance space that can be used for live theatre, live comedy, open mic, concerts, film screenings. Preferably a tiered auditorium or black box theatre.
Anonymous 12/19/2018 10:53 PM	More tables/spaces and better floors for the ping pong rooms
justin.schneider 12/28/2018 01:21 PM	A high quality performing center
justin.schneider 12/28/2018 01:27 PM	More play space for children.
justin.schneider 12/28/2018 02:13 PM	Parking during business hours
justin.schneider 12/28/2018 02:17 PM	Bigger event space
justin.schneider 12/28/2018 02:25 PM	More freely available meeting spaces
Anonymous 1/02/2019 04:42 PM	parking lot space expand.
Anonymous 1/05/2019 11:11 AM	More activities to reach out and engagement
Anonymous 1/05/2019 11:27 AM	More space for dance studio
Anonymous 1/05/2019 11:40 AM	None
Anonymous	Great job. None necessary

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1/05/2019 01:22 PM	
Anonymous 1/06/2019 08:55 AM	Parking is very important. Walk ways, vending machine, more staff
Anonymous 1/09/2019 05:24 PM	The facility to be open on Sundays and more after business hours - Most community programs are run by volunteers who can only help during non-business hours.
Anonymous 1/10/2019 08:07 PM	Floor, facility, and furniture
Anonymous 1/11/2019 09:42 AM	more space for volunteer activities
Anonymous 1/11/2019 09:45 AM	have a sauna room, everyday yoga classroom, fitness/equipment room, steam room
Anonymous 1/11/2019 09:48 AM	need bigger game rooms for ping pong
Anonymous 1/15/2019 01:17 PM	Larger multipurpose spaces, currently AARC does not have medium sized spaces, dance flooring, sound insulation
Anonymous 1/15/2019 10:26 PM	Space to store mats
dkester 1/17/2019 11:00 AM	A large room specificall designed for Tai Chi, Qi Gong, martial arts, and dance with a mirrored wall would be wonderful.
Anonymous 1/17/2019 10:08 AM	Large stage, dedicated light / sound system for performances, a backstage area, green room, additional changing rooms.
Anonymous 1/17/2019 10:30 AM	More flexible booking options
Anonymous 1/17/2019 09:09 PM	Artists demonstrations, teaching. Murals. A sculpture garden.
Anonymous 1/18/2019 08:55 AM	recreation space be seperated from the main building, seperate classroom for ESL (it smells like a gym)
Anonymous 1/18/2019 08:59 AM	large rooms for ping pong
Anonymous 1/18/2019 09:07 AM	clean more and bigger classrooms
Anonymous 1/18/2019 09:16 AM	ping pong
Anonymous 1/18/2019 09:18 AM	more shade

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Anonymous 1/18/2019 09:25 AM	bigger classrooms
Anonymous 1/18/2019 09:28 AM	cleanliness
Anonymous 1/18/2019 09:30 AM	bigger room
Anonymous 1/18/2019 09:33 AM	more rooms
Anonymous 1/18/2019 09:56 AM	more area needed
Anonymous 1/18/2019 10:01 AM	better accessibility
Anonymous 1/18/2019 10:06 AM	designated theater and exhibit space
Anonymous 1/18/2019 10:09 AM	needs a dedicated library and history/heritage room, with AV facilities for oral history and archives
Anonymous 1/18/2019 10:11 AM	flexibiliy
Anonymous 1/18/2019 10:22 AM	performing area should have a proper stage
Anonymous 1/18/2019 10:25 AM	I suggest a yoga room and medical room
Anonymous 1/18/2019 10:27 AM	yoga room and medical room
Anonymous 1/18/2019 10:31 AM	exercise room, ample library, movie theater
Anonymous 1/18/2019 10:33 AM	needs computer trainign class for seniors, more internet
Anonymous 1/18/2019 10:38 AM	need more classrooms and maybe a larger area that will allow larger groups to meet and work
Anonymous 1/18/2019 10:41 AM	i don't know, they are all good
Anonymous 1/23/2019 04:05 PM	larger classroom space with media support; larger library/resource room; computer lab; self-serve food
Anonymous 1/23/2019 08:34 PM	Having a larger classroom or/and rehearsal space. Not as big as the main room, but bigger than the classrooms.

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Anonymous 1/24/2019 07:36 AM	outdoor playground, amenities for kids
Anonymous 1/24/2019 08:56 AM	As far as we're concerned the space seems to be adequate for the things in which we participate.
Anonymous 1/24/2019 11:14 AM	Mobile home
Anonymous 1/24/2019 11:22 AM	Happy
Anonymous 1/24/2019 11:25 AM	Entertainment
Anonymous 1/24/2019 04:01 PM	The center needs a dedicated gallery space, studio spaces and classrooms for summer camps.
Anonymous 1/25/2019 09:18 AM	artist need a "green room" to change costumes. It would be helpful to have a room that has curtains and full length mirror
Anonymous 1/25/2019 11:54 AM	Adequate stage and theater lights, dressing rooms, art and music classrooms that are appropriate for different mediums (classrooms are not soundproof at all), no dedicated gallery space, classrooms are a bit too small currently
Anonymous 1/25/2019 01:07 PM	Office for the staff in the existing or new building,
Anonymous 1/25/2019 11:44 PM	Sound proofing ping pong.
Anonymous 1/29/2019 09:02 AM	Pool, baseball field, gym
Anonymous 1/29/2019 09:06 AM	Gym, pool, baseball field
Anonymous 1/29/2019 09:10 AM	movie screening
Anonymous 1/29/2019 09:15 AM	I'd like to see a more formal, expanded gallery space specifically designed for art and artists that is open to the public.
Anonymous 1/29/2019 09:23 AM	Left turn or a traffic light
Anonymous 1/29/2019 11:24 AM	Technology: built in projector, computer lab
Anonymous 1/29/2019 11:34 AM	Bigger whiteboards in classrooms; more stability in projectors
Anonymous	Yoga studio, theater outdoor, trails, outdoor garden, exhibit space, more

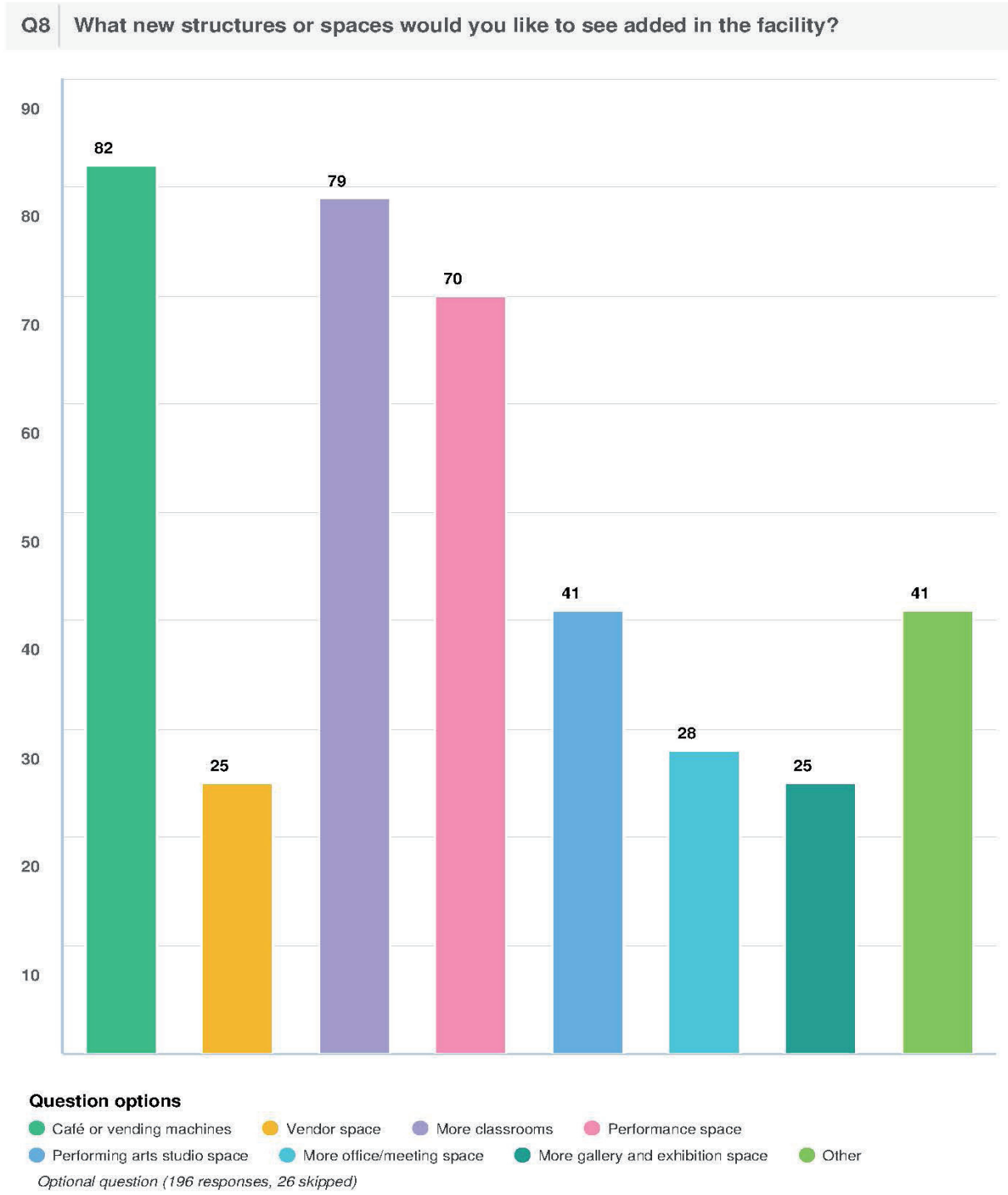
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Anonymous 1/29/2019 11:48 AM	Parking spaces
Anonymous 1/29/2019 11:52 AM	Bigger classroom, bigger ballroom
Anonymous 1/29/2019 11:57 AM	Bigger ball room for community event, bigger classroom for class
Anonymous 1/29/2019 12:01 PM	More designated rooms for pin pony
Anonymous 1/29/2019 12:09 PM	There is no place for dancing and Tai Chi if main hall is reserved for an event.
Anonymous 1/29/2019 12:20 PM	More musical instruments
Anonymous 1/29/2019 02:48 PM	I think the Gallery or Exhibition should be extended. Community room for people to share some information about asian culture.
Anonymous 1/29/2019 03:22 PM	Add hot water dispenser
Anonymous 1/29/2019 04:09 PM	More Ping Pong table, Senior Bingo, Chess, Card games, more Space for Seniors, Hot Water Drinking Fountain, More Senior Activity Space
Anonymous 1/30/2019 08:47 AM	Expand activities for physical recreational space; bigger rooms for rehearsal space; wood floors
Anonymous 1/30/2019 08:50 AM	Please post wifi information - secure wifi?
Anonymous 1/30/2019 08:57 AM	More classrooms and space for events like Tet. Bigger room, not so hot
Anonymous 1/30/2019 09:01 AM	More parking, easier access on Cameron Road Southbound (currently have to U-turn)
Anonymous 1/30/2019 09:07 AM	Larger classrooms, more parking
Anonymous 1/30/2019 09:19 AM	More space? Already not bad
Anonymous 1/30/2019 09:22 AM	Scheduling for renting rooms
Anonymous 1/30/2019 09:27 AM	need larger classrooms

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Anonymous 1/30/2019 09:29 AM	more parking spaces
Anonymous 1/30/2019 09:32 AM	Bigger classrooms, more chairs, table
Anonymous 1/30/2019 09:39 AM	Occasionally markers for the smart board will be missing or remotes will be out of batteries
Anonymous 1/30/2019 09:49 AM	More facilities for more sports activities for kids and adults
Anonymous 1/30/2019 09:58 AM	I haven't seen recreational space inside.
Anonymous 1/30/2019 02:46 PM	Bigger Ping Pong Table
Anonymous 1/30/2019 03:02 PM	more space
Anonymous 1/30/2019 03:09 PM	More activity
Anonymous 1/30/2019 03:15 PM	Staged
Anonymous 1/30/2019 03:22 PM	Wish ther was enough space
Anonymous 1/30/2019 03:26 PM	Add more activity and entertainment space
Anonymous 1/30/2019 03:32 PM	More entertainment space
Anonymous 1/30/2019 03:43 PM	Ping pong table, lunch area
Anonymous 1/30/2019 03:47 PM	Air Condition
Anonymous 1/30/2019 03:54 PM	Make sure room is assigned
Anonymous 1/30/2019 03:55 PM	Socializing area of other than lunchroom
Anonymous 1/30/2019 03:55 PM	Add more ping pong tables
Anonymous 1/30/2019 03:58 PM	Senior lunch

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Anonymous 1/31/2019 01:50 PM	Need coat hooks in room, specifically main/big room, so we don't have to use stage
Anonymous 1/31/2019 02:06 PM	Large event space with commercial kitchen
Anonymous 1/31/2019 02:07 PM	More exhibit space
Anonymous 1/31/2019 02:11 PM	A bigger, shorter stage, curtains/wing dividers
Anonymous 1/31/2019 02:17 PM	Better a/v, playground area for kids
Optional question (109 responses, 113 skipped)	

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Q9	Please specify
Anonymous 12/12/2018 10:45 AM	Gym
Anonymous 12/19/2018 10:53 PM	See above
justin.schneider 12/28/2018 01:27 PM	coffee shop, computer lab and hang out area
justin.schneider 12/28/2018 02:13 PM	More classrooms, performance space, performing arts studio space, more office/meeting space, Food truck park (outdoor)
justin.schneider 12/28/2018 02:17 PM	Event space
justin.schneider 12/28/2018 02:25 PM	Food trucks, more utilization of the outdoor space for programming, inclusive design that does not alienate but instead accommodates patrons experiencing homelessness
Anonymous 1/06/2019 08:55 AM	AARC provides space for Esl and community stuff but does nthat t realize how the room smells because of ping pong. They need to provide seperate space for such stuff. Be clear if they want this as a resource center or a gym kitchen to be operational
Anonymous 1/11/2019 09:42 AM	
Anonymous 1/11/2019 09:45 AM	sauna/heating room
ninaqho 1/11/2019 08:00 PM	a photography/videography studio for digital media making
Anonymous 1/15/2019 10:26 PM	Storage space for the mats (yoga and aikido)
dkester 1/17/2019 11:00 AM	Specific Tai Chi / Dance space
Anonymous 1/18/2019 08:55 AM	seperate seniors
Anonymous 1/18/2019 09:33 AM	more parking on the north and east of the AARC building
Anonymous 1/18/2019 09:56 AM	more space for volunteer activities
Anonymous 1/18/2019 10:06 AM	designated library for Asian American and Asian literature, history, and culture. history/archival space, including place for oral histories of community members

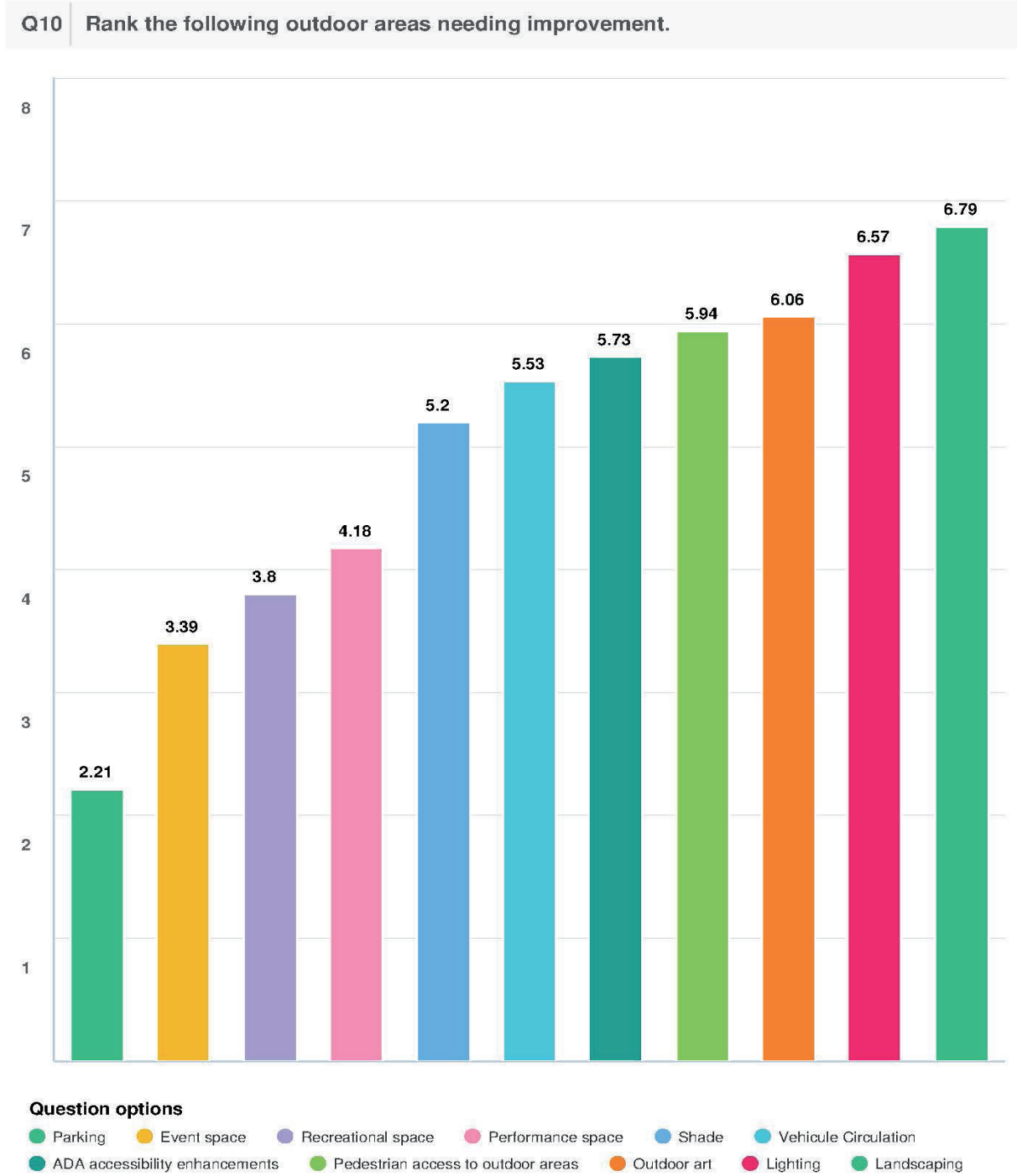
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Anonymous 1/18/2019 10:43 AM	workshop space
Anonymous 1/23/2019 11:25 AM	Screen for film/video screenings
Anonymous 1/23/2019 04:05 PM	green space, park or walking path, small community garden, recreational area for kids/family
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Anonymous 1/23/2019 09:47 PM	Walking trail outside
Anonymous 1/23/2019 09:50 PM	Please improved ability to enter and exit the building parking lot. If coming from North on Dessau you will have to make a U-turn to enter and if coming south from Dessau will have to make a U-turn to leave
Anonymous 1/24/2019 10:54 AM	foot bridge to easily access the police parking lot from the AARC parking lot. Canopies on the outdoor lawns for people to enjoy the outside.
Anonymous 1/24/2019 11:14 AM	Cold & hot water machine
Anonymous 1/29/2019 09:02 AM	Educational for kids and adults
Anonymous 1/29/2019 09:06 AM	Opportunity for youth and adult sporting event.
Anonymous 1/29/2019 11:34 AM	Bigger library
Anonymous 1/29/2019 11:42 AM	Community garden, educational opportunity, connecting children to nature at AISD school parks
Anonymous 1/29/2019 11:52 AM	Game room, more parking
Anonymous 1/29/2019 11:57 AM	Board game room
Anonymous 1/29/2019 12:17 PM	Ping pong tables
Anonymous 1/29/2019 03:29 PM	Expand cafeteria add hot drinking water supply
Anonymous 1/29/2019 04:27 PM	Newspaper, Magazine
Anonymous	Play games

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1/30/2019 10:09 AM	
Anonymous	Larger table tennis court, more tables
1/30/2019 03:15 PM	
Anonymous	All of these and a senior activity room with enough space
1/30/2019 03:22 PM	
Anonymous	exercise equipment
1/30/2019 03:36 PM	
Anonymous	Gym (multipurpose)
1/30/2019 03:43 PM	
Anonymous	Horrible website
1/31/2019 01:54 PM	
Anonymous	Playground area for kids
1/31/2019 02:17 PM	
Optional question (40 responses, 182 skipped)	

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Q11 What improvements are needed to the outdoor space you prioritized?	
Anonymous 12/11/2018 12:58 PM	Outdoor event and performance space is most needed
Anonymous 12/11/2018 03:52 PM	More parking is needed for events and rentals and
Anonymous 12/12/2018 10:45 AM	Bamboo garden with trails
Anonymous 12/15/2018 11:04 AM	Increase parking space capacity, safety, and accessibility
Anonymous 12/19/2018 02:29 PM	More parking would be welcome.
Anonymous 12/19/2018 03:24 PM	landscaping
Anonymous 12/19/2018 05:15 PM	The bldg is difficult to access. The bus stops are a long way from the center, especially from the north. There are no accessible entrances on the south side of the bldg.
Anonymous 12/19/2018 06:35 PM	Have an outdoor performance space and parking
justin.schneider 12/28/2018 01:21 PM	Pavillion, maybe an outdoor amphitheater, playscape and swing, oriental pond
justin.schneider 12/28/2018 01:27 PM	Parking: more parking spaces, lighting: we need more lighting
justin.schneider 12/28/2018 02:13 PM	Food truck park, more outdoor events
justin.schneider 12/28/2018 02:33 PM	more space to park
Anonymous 1/05/2019 11:11 AM	Cleaner
Anonymous 1/05/2019 11:27 AM	Place scape for the young one
Anonymous 1/05/2019 11:40 AM	None
Anonymous 1/05/2019 01:22 PM	More landscape
Anonymous	Even walkways,

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1/06/2019 08:55 AM	
Anonymous 1/09/2019 05:24 PM	An area for festivals that can accommodate 2,000 to 3,000 attendees. Provide large tents for accidental rains on event days.
Anonymous 1/10/2019 08:07 PM	Facilities
Anonymous 1/11/2019 09:42 AM	covered access
Anonymous 1/11/2019 09:45 AM	gardening/community gardens
Anonymous 1/15/2019 01:17 PM	lighting, seating areas, outdoor stage, outdoor facilities such as restrooms, electricity and water access for outdoor events, playground
Anonymous 1/15/2019 10:26 PM	its beautiful as is but see below for the additional amenities I would like to see added
dkester 1/17/2019 11:00 AM	Both permanent and changing outdoor sculptures would be great.
Anonymous 1/17/2019 10:30 AM	More parking availability and safe access to those areas
Anonymous 1/17/2019 09:09 PM	A sculpture garden and murals
Anonymous 1/18/2019 08:55 AM	parking is very limied, accessibiliy o parking- cannot walk to other areas to park in the nigh, need security on site
Anonymous 1/18/2019 08:59 AM	walking paths
Anonymous 1/18/2019 09:07 AM	need more parking spots, shaded outdoor walking trail, label trees and flower with names
Anonymous 1/18/2019 09:25 AM	more flowers and plants
Anonymous 1/18/2019 09:28 AM	handicap accessible
Anonymous 1/18/2019 09:46 AM	to be easily accessible to seniors
Anonymous 1/18/2019 09:50 AM	add some benches
Anonymous 1/18/2019 09:56 AM	easy access for seniors

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Anonymous	can't think of any	
1/18/2019 10:11 AM		
Anonymous	parking, garden	
1/18/2019 10:18 AM		
Anonymous	better event space	
1/18/2019 10:22 AM		
Anonymous	chair, benches, drink coffee, and shade	
1/18/2019 10:31 AM		
Anonymous	group exercise	
1/18/2019 10:33 AM		
Anonymous	build a parking garage	
1/18/2019 10:38 AM		
Anonymous	more shade over cars in the parking lot	
1/18/2019 10:41 AM		
Anonymous	electric car charging stations	
1/23/2019 04:05 PM		
Anonymous	Additional parking would be good.	
1/24/2019 08:56 AM		
Anonymous	More parking, easy access to adjacent parking lot thru a foot bridge/culvert, outdoor shade like sunshade/canopy on the lawn	
1/24/2019 10:54 AM		
Anonymous	The parking lot	
1/24/2019 11:22 AM		
Anonymous	need safer, opened space for children to play. Utilize the nature to create space of gathering.	
1/24/2019 04:01 PM		
Anonymous	need extra parking spots	
1/25/2019 09:18 AM		
Anonymous	Removal of road median so cars do not have to do dangerous u-turns and circle around on Cameron Rd, dedicated performing arts stage or black box theatre, more to do outside (maybe a playground), brighter lighting at night for safety.	
1/25/2019 11:54 AM		
Anonymous	Parking, trails, Pedestrian access outdoor	
1/25/2019 01:07 PM		
Anonymous	more parking to handle large events	
1/25/2019 02:15 PM		
Anonymous	Walkways	
1/25/2019 04:18 PM		
Anonymous	More handicap parking spaces	

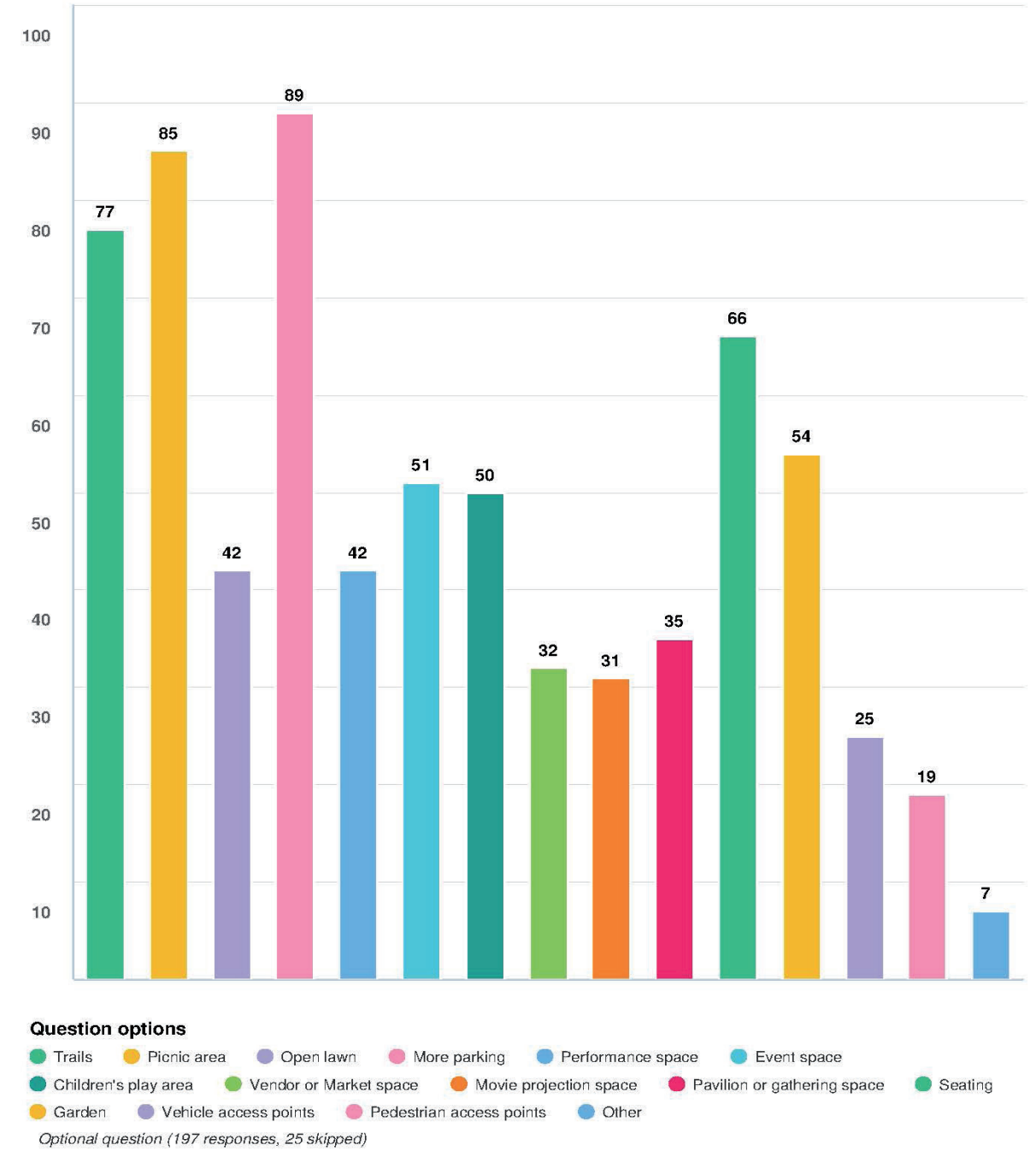
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1/25/2019 11:44 PM		
Anonymous	More parking.	
1/26/2019 05:51 PM		
Anonymous	Outside of the building very dark and not very decorative (you can't look at the outside and tell what the inside is about)	
1/27/2019 09:21 AM		
Anonymous	Table's are ball field	
1/29/2019 09:06 AM		
Anonymous	just better parking for events	
1/29/2019 09:10 AM		
Anonymous	Trails, garden space, water feature	
1/29/2019 09:23 AM		
Anonymous	Seating, organic garden, gathering space, kids play area, amphitheater, performing space, trails	
1/29/2019 11:30 AM		
Anonymous	Easier access to building from outside. Having to turn around when I drive through parking lot to exit can be improved.	
1/29/2019 11:34 AM		
Anonymous	Outdoor art, trails, more seating areas, garden with herbs and veggies	
1/29/2019 11:39 AM		
Anonymous	Pedestrian bridge to lots on south side of property	
1/29/2019 11:42 AM		
Anonymous	Parking spaces	
1/29/2019 11:48 AM		
Anonymous	More shaded gazebo/pavilion and walking trail. More exercise equipment for seniors.	
1/29/2019 11:50 AM		
Anonymous	More space for outdoor big event like new year	
1/29/2019 11:52 AM		
Anonymous	Parking, landscaping, outdoor event stage	
1/29/2019 11:57 AM		
Anonymous	More handicapped parking, safe drop off area for seniors	
1/29/2019 12:01 PM		
Anonymous	More parking spaces.	
1/29/2019 12:09 PM		
Anonymous	More outdoor spaces, more gazebo	
1/29/2019 12:14 PM		
Anonymous	Gazebo	
1/29/2019 12:17 PM		

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Anonymous 1/29/2019 12:20 PM	Walking trail
Anonymous 1/29/2019 02:48 PM	Parking lot needs more spaces. I'm Sure.
Anonymous 1/29/2019 04:09 PM	Parking Spaces more Handicap Parking
Anonymous 1/29/2019 04:22 PM	Provide Outdoor visits and trips
Anonymous 1/29/2019 04:35 PM	More Ping pong Tables
Anonymous 1/30/2019 08:47 AM	Increased recreational area; space to gather outside
Anonymous 1/30/2019 08:50 AM	Parking
Anonymous 1/30/2019 08:57 AM	Parking
Anonymous 1/30/2019 09:01 AM	More spaces
Anonymous 1/30/2019 09:07 AM	Better parking
Anonymous 1/30/2019 09:22 AM	Parking lot, entrance
Anonymous 1/30/2019 09:27 AM	need more parking
Anonymous 1/30/2019 09:29 AM	More parking and vehicle access points
Anonymous 1/30/2019 09:32 AM	parking, art
Anonymous 1/30/2019 09:36 AM	Need more parking
Anonymous 1/30/2019 09:39 AM	During special events parking is difficult with so many visitors
Anonymous 1/30/2019 09:49 AM	I always look around for parking.
Anonymous 1/30/2019 09:54 AM	A multipurpose room of sufficient dimensions to permit teaching physical disciplines eg dance, gymnastics, martial arts, equipped with mats that can

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Anonymous 1/30/2019 09:58 AM	be taken up when not in use (mats for gymnastics, aikido, etc.) Closer parking to entrance would be awesome. Having a playground would be wonderful or more picnic tables. Trees or other forms of shade in a playground/outdoor seating More athletic activity space
Anonymous 1/30/2019 03:02 PM	More green trail, walking trail
Anonymous 1/30/2019 03:09 PM	Have exercise equipment that is suitable for seniors
Anonymous 1/30/2019 03:32 PM	Hiking trail
Anonymous 1/30/2019 03:43 PM	When shuttle make a left turn need to be more cautious.
Anonymous 1/30/2019 03:47 PM	benches like those in the indoor garden
Anonymous 1/30/2019 03:48 PM	Access from Clear Creek Dr for vehicles
Anonymous 1/30/2019 03:55 PM	Improve walking trail and lighting
Anonymous 1/30/2019 03:55 PM	Need trail
Anonymous 1/31/2019 01:50 PM	Signs, parking
Anonymous 1/31/2019 02:03 PM	A solid area other than paved road
Anonymous 1/31/2019 02:11 PM	Playground for kids, shady eating areas
Anonymous 1/31/2019 02:17 PM	
Optional question (100 responses, 122 skipped)	

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Q12 What additional outdoor space amenities would you like to see added?

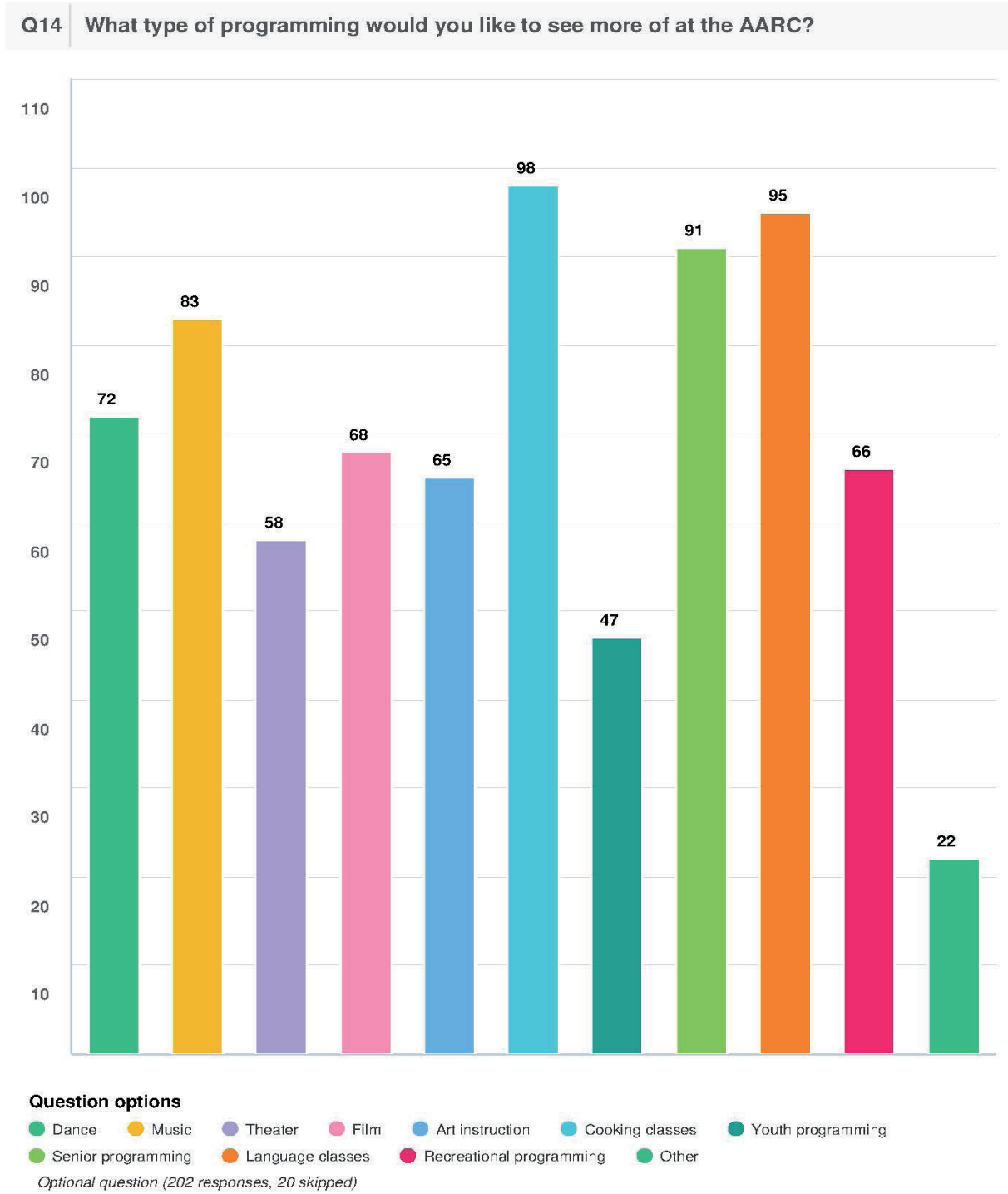


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Q13 Please specify

Anonymous 12/12/2018 10:45 AM	Farmer's market or street market
justin.schneider 12/28/2018 01:21 PM	Also, Picnic Area, open lawn, pavilion/gathering space, seating, vehicular access points, pedestrian access points
justin.schneider 12/28/2018 02:25 PM	Event space, Vendor/market space, movie projection space, Garden, Pedestrian Access points
Real Austin 1/16/2019 09:04 PM	None
dkester 1/17/2019 11:00 AM	Pedestrian bridges from AARC to the next door city lot for special event overflow parking.
Anonymous 1/18/2019 09:33 AM	more parking space
Anonymous 1/30/2019 03:22 PM	Everything here
Optional question (7 responses, 215 skipped)	

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Q15	Please specify
justin.schneider 12/28/2018 02:25 PM	Capacity-building and services for immigrants and refugees, cultural programming for 2nd and 3rd gen folks, not all food, fashion, and heritage (TM)
Anonymous 1/15/2019 10:26 PM	Gift Exchange and Wellness programs for adults & children e.g. yoga, martial arts
Real Austin 1/16/2019 09:04 PM	None
Anonymous 1/18/2019 08:55 AM	education for all ages-don't focus on food
Anonymous 1/18/2019 09:07 AM	holistic yoga class is very good class to add to AARC program
Anonymous 1/18/2019 10:06 AM	more workshops and events that are all ages, regular book club, community dinners
Anonymous 1/18/2019 10:22 AM	guide for people about the responsibilities in the USA as many are green card holders
Anonymous 1/18/2019 10:27 AM	there should be a tv in one of the rooms
Anonymous 1/23/2019 04:05 PM	career training and other educational workshops, seminars, etc
Anonymous 1/23/2019 09:47 PM	Exercise
Anonymous 1/29/2019 11:24 AM	Career classes
Anonymous 1/29/2019 11:34 AM	Classes/discussions regarding race consciousness, tackling oppressive systems as Asian Americans, talking about activism
Anonymous 1/29/2019 12:01 PM	Activities for folks with mobility issues
Anonymous 1/29/2019 12:20 PM	More ball games
Anonymous 1/29/2019 12:32 PM	Tai chi, physical exercise
Anonymous 1/29/2019 04:35 PM	not enough ping pong tables
Anonymous	Art Lecture (Tea Ceremony , Chinese Opera, Chinese Songs)

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1/30/2019 03:38 PM	
Anonymous	A social/conversation space for elders
1/30/2019 03:41 PM	
Anonymous	Senior exercise
1/31/2019 01:50 PM	
Anonymous	Hardware profit
1/31/2019 01:54 PM	
Anonymous	Comedy
1/31/2019 02:17 PM	
Optional question (21 responses, 201 skipped)	

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Q16 What improvements to transportation would you like to see in order to go to and from the AARC?	
Anonymous	Shuttle to overflow parking for events
12/11/2018 12:58 PM	
Anonymous	A bigger sign on the street that shows AARC, otherwise it's easy to miss the building
12/12/2018 10:45 AM	
Anonymous	More stops, better coordination of transportation services.
12/15/2018 11:04 AM	
Anonymous	Closer bus stops especially on southbound Cameron Rd on the eastside opposite the AARC.
12/19/2018 05:15 PM	
justin.schneider	Metrobus connecting AARC to different areas in Austin, including NW Austin and South Austin.
12/28/2018 01:21 PM	
justin.schneider	More public transportation for seniors.
12/28/2018 02:13 PM	
Anonymous	Bus stop, Taxi stand
1/05/2019 11:11 AM	
Anonymous	Public transportation
1/05/2019 11:27 AM	
Anonymous	None
1/05/2019 11:40 AM	
Anonymous	Better transportation and other mode of transportation
1/06/2019 08:55 AM	
Anonymous	Free shuttle buses
1/09/2019 05:24 PM	
Anonymous	Bigger shuttle, and more pick up stations, more often
1/10/2019 08:07 PM	
Anonymous	more areas and senior transportation
1/11/2019 09:42 AM	
Anonymous	Remain on metro bus line
1/15/2019 07:58 PM	
Anonymous	2-3 Car2go parking spots. At least two bus routes that arrive at AARC with covered bus stops. Designated scooter parking spaces. Safe walking paths navigating through parking with clear way finding indicators.
1/17/2019 10:30 AM	
Anonymous	N/a
1/17/2019 09:09 PM	

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Anonymous	1/18/2019 08:55 AM	work with capital metro and create more stops from north west Austin, Circle C, West Austin, we need direct buses
Anonymous	1/18/2019 09:21 AM	Nice transportation should be provided
Anonymous	1/18/2019 09:25 AM	more
Anonymous	1/18/2019 09:28 AM	public transit, uber, lyft
Anonymous	1/18/2019 09:30 AM	so far it is quite good
Anonymous	1/18/2019 09:33 AM	easy senior transportation
Anonymous	1/18/2019 09:42 AM	We are seniors we don't have any transport facilities
Anonymous	1/18/2019 09:50 AM	free transportation
Anonymous	1/18/2019 10:01 AM	better transportation
Anonymous	1/18/2019 10:11 AM	rapid transit
Anonymous	1/18/2019 10:16 AM	Tansportation is most important because lots of people don't drive
Anonymous	1/18/2019 10:22 AM	transportation for South Austin
Anonymous	1/18/2019 10:31 AM	Install a bus stop at front of AARC oing east
Anonymous	1/18/2019 10:33 AM	add more locations to pick up
Anonymous	1/18/2019 10:38 AM	expand areas of district for pickup and drop off, more frequent trips instead of pickup only once a week, pick up increased to 4-5 days per week
Anonymous	1/23/2019 04:05 PM	easier access in and out of parking lot; closer bus stop
Anonymous	1/23/2019 08:33 PM	Make arrangements with nearby facilities to use their parking lots in non-business hours. Get a golf cart to ferry older people from nearby lots to AARC.
Anonymous		It would be great if there are transportations available to pick up seniors from

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	1/23/2019 08:38 PM	their homes for recurring programs like the daily meal program.
Anonymous	1/23/2019 09:47 PM	Transportation from Parmer and Mopac
Anonymous	1/24/2019 07:36 AM	better bus access
Anonymous	1/24/2019 11:14 AM	More seats available
Anonymous	1/24/2019 11:22 AM	Bus
Anonymous	1/24/2019 11:25 AM	Bus
Anonymous	1/24/2019 01:08 PM	Frequent Cap Metro bus service
Anonymous	1/24/2019 04:01 PM	A bridge to cross Cameron rd. and more streets lights.
Anonymous	1/24/2019 04:26 PM	More connecting buses from different parts of Austin (South, Southwest, Southeast, Central, North, etc.) to the AARC
Anonymous	1/24/2019 06:56 PM	Increase transit option for access from around the city. Have your own shuttle from city buildings
Anonymous	1/25/2019 11:54 AM	Pedestrian bridge between parking lots, more road/street signage indicating you're nearing or arriving towards AARC along roads.
Anonymous	1/25/2019 01:07 PM	Capital Metro buses/ public transportation from Northwest and South Austin
Anonymous	1/25/2019 04:18 PM	Bus pickup
Anonymous	1/29/2019 09:10 AM	More bus route connections AND pedestrian access from bus stop
Anonymous	1/29/2019 11:24 AM	Vehicle access points
Anonymous	1/29/2019 11:30 AM	Shuttle from UT area; buses from schools
Anonymous	1/29/2019 11:39 AM	Accessibility via bus routes, pedestrian bridges
Anonymous	1/29/2019 11:42 AM	Buses to and from Rundberg and St. Johns community

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Anonymous 1/29/2019 11:48 AM	Parking spaces
Anonymous 1/29/2019 11:52 AM	More bus routes
Anonymous 1/29/2019 12:01 PM	If I don't drive, I'd appreciate door to door pickup from/to home to AARC
Anonymous 1/29/2019 12:06 PM	Transportation is not enough. I can't get registered [for the shuttle bus].
Anonymous 1/29/2019 12:09 PM	1. Add more seats on the bus. Many seniors cannot attend AARC's activities due to limited seating. 2. Allow more days to attend activities. Right now it's limited to once a week. Wish it can be three times a week for seniors.
Anonymous 1/29/2019 12:14 PM	Wish I can register everytime, have transportation ride. More activities.
Anonymous 1/29/2019 12:17 PM	Transportation seating is not enough. Change to 20 seats or more van.
Anonymous 1/29/2019 12:20 PM	Once a week activity, there is a shuttle provided. Currently not enough transportation with only 11 seats provided.
Anonymous 1/29/2019 12:23 PM	Transportation is not enough. Sometimes I cannot get on due to limited seating.
Anonymous 1/29/2019 12:32 PM	Add transportation vans, need bigger van. At least 15 seats.
Anonymous 1/29/2019 02:48 PM	Public Transportation like Buses and Shuttles
Anonymous 1/29/2019 03:08 PM	More Parking Spaces
Anonymous 1/29/2019 03:22 PM	Need bigger Car to allow more seniors to get on the shuttle add more activities
Anonymous 1/29/2019 03:29 PM	One way Street
Anonymous 1/29/2019 03:42 PM	Add more shuttle. There are only 11 seats in the current shuttle, need more
Anonymous 1/29/2019 04:09 PM	More bus shuttle route, more handicap parking, bigger shuttle bus
Anonymous 1/29/2019 04:27 PM	More Transportation
Anonymous 1/29/2019 04:35 PM	More Senior Transportation shuttle this way everybody can attend senior program.

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Anonymous 1/30/2019 08:47 AM	Ensure close bus stop
Anonymous 1/30/2019 09:01 AM	More parking, easier access on Cameron Road southbound
Anonymous 1/30/2019 09:27 AM	better parking; bus stop nearby?
Anonymous 1/30/2019 09:29 AM	need more parking spaces and more clear signs where the entry points are
Anonymous 1/30/2019 09:54 AM	Can't say - not familiar with current transportation
Anonymous 1/30/2019 02:46 PM	Bigger Shuttle
Anonymous 1/30/2019 03:02 PM	More seats on the shuttle. Add more shuttles.
Anonymous 1/30/2019 03:09 PM	More senior transportation, more than once a week
Anonymous 1/30/2019 03:15 PM	allow more people to come, more buses, and drivers
Anonymous 1/30/2019 03:22 PM	Wish every senior who wants to come can come. Guarantee senior transportation, more pick up and drop off sites, wish there is a pick up site for Avery Ranch area
Anonymous 1/30/2019 03:26 PM	Because seniors cannot drive wish fulfill more senior transportation needs
Anonymous 1/30/2019 03:29 PM	Need bigger shuttle with more seats
Anonymous 1/30/2019 03:32 PM	1. more pick up, drop off locations. 2. Need a 20 seat van. 3. Responsible driver.
Anonymous 1/30/2019 03:36 PM	more routes, larger van
Anonymous 1/30/2019 03:36 PM	Add more seats in the shuttle. There are many people in our neighborhood.
Anonymous 1/30/2019 03:41 PM	Add more pick up and drop off locations
Anonymous 1/30/2019 03:47 PM	more senior shuttle
Anonymous	N/A (we drive)

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1/30/2019 03:48 PM	
Anonymous	More shuttle pick up and drop off locations
1/30/2019 03:48 PM	
Anonymous	Improving the direct turning instead of making u-turn
1/30/2019 03:55 PM	
Anonymous	Always have to make a u-turn on cameron road- dangerous. Would like shuttle to mopac and parmer
1/31/2019 01:50 PM	
Anonymous	Blue book
1/31/2019 01:54 PM	
Anonymous	Senior transportation from greater austin area
1/31/2019 02:03 PM	
Anonymous	In my opinion, transportation is fine
1/31/2019 02:11 PM	
Anonymous	Bus line
1/31/2019 02:13 PM	
Anonymous	Close bus stop
1/31/2019 02:17 PM	
Optional question (95 responses, 127 skipped)	

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Q17	How would you define the future of the AARC?
Anonymous	Multicultural multigenerational
12/11/2018 12:58 PM	
Anonymous	Outreach. AARC is becoming more central towards many big community players that wish to outreach to the Asian/Asian American communities. Although, we are under PARD as a cultural center, I see great potential in addressing in partnerships with organizations that promote causes such as Domestic Violence awareness. The AAPI is one of the hardest pop's to reach, state stats are not disaggregated or culturally/linguistically appropriate and so you have the space to at least be strategic mindfully to support those groups/issues. Its not political. Its an invisible public health concern. Please take serious consideration about the capacity AARC plans to be at with educational programming in regards of emotional/psychological needs; doesn't have to be specific, but can support (i.e., those partnerships I suggested) AAPI communities.
12/15/2018 11:04 AM	
Anonymous	Providing space and programming for the Asian communities of Austin.
12/19/2018 02:29 PM	
Anonymous	We need more theatre and performance ars spaces that can also be used for doom screenings. Arts spaces in Austin are scarce. AARC can be part of the solution.
12/19/2018 06:35 PM	
justin.schneider	A place that attracts people from different culture to get together, share their culture, arts and cuisine, where the children and youth learn their culture, and the seniors feel home. I hope the facility provides summer camps to children, language classes for the immigrants. Also, culture gatherings, events, and performances.
12/28/2018 01:21 PM	
justin.schneider	The future of the AARC will be great! Want to see more English as a second language classes for adults, more classes for children during summer with affordable prices, more place space for children
12/28/2018 01:27 PM	
justin.schneider	Multi-cultural center
12/28/2018 02:13 PM	
justin.schneider	Serving as a bridge for the AAPI communities in discussions and decisions about equity in Austin and a hub or anchor for our communities.
12/28/2018 02:25 PM	
Anonymous	Good
1/05/2019 11:11 AM	
Anonymous	A safe place where the young can go and have fun with out worry about the danger.
1/05/2019 11:27 AM	
Anonymous	Successful
1/05/2019 11:40 AM	
Anonymous	Concerts
1/05/2019 12:24 PM	

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mel 1/08/2019 11:54 PM	I was checking for something else, and saw this ~ I am just so confused. How is this not discrimination? And this is public funds. Seriously? I knew of this place, but had no clue it was part of Austin Parks. Huh. So, extra glad, I did not vote, to give more funds to the Parks, during this last vote. I didn't, because of the complete and total blatant waste of money, for Republic Square, but, now, with this. Uh, no. Not for discrimination, as well. Hmm Becoming more useful for the community
Anonymous 1/09/2019 05:24 PM	
Anonymous 1/10/2019 08:07 PM	A famous place for anyone visiting Austin, not only residents.
Anonymous 1/11/2019 09:42 AM	It should be a place where seniors can come together for entertainment, interaction/networking and volunteer work which is beneficial to society at large.
ninaqho 1/11/2019 08:00 PM	Getting more engagement and involvement from millennials.
Anonymous 1/15/2019 10:26 PM	Be the place where anyone who wants to experience Asian arts and cultural activities come together to exchange their gifts, serving seniors, adults and children and helping them to maintain their wellbeing through participation in gift exchange and wellness programs, first come first served basis.
Real Austin 1/16/2019 09:04 PM	Explain why this even exists. Where is the one for White people? Seems like blatant discrimination to me. Hope Austin realizes its liability it is signing up for if they are involved in this overtly racist group.
dkester 1/17/2019 11:00 AM	Bright! The main problem I see at this time is that although a new commercial kitchen was added after initial construction, it is still not being fully utilized. What a shame that the RICE lunch program is not using the kitchen to cook meals onsite. I know it's some problem with regulations, but will it ever be resolved?
Anonymous 1/17/2019 10:08 AM	Potentially a space for Asian American voices to perform, display, and engage in the arts and express themselves.
Anonymous 1/17/2019 10:30 AM	A community center that thrives in sustaining cultural traditions and blending those rituals with innovation. A place for inclusivity and creative awakening. Nurturance, connection, communication, learning, and discovery.
Anonymous 1/17/2019 09:09 PM	A tourist destination, public schools field trip destination...
Anonymous 1/18/2019 08:55 AM	A place not just for Asians, but all communities. Focus on making it a resource center and not a senior center. Please keep the children's programs separate from adult programs and building activities add vending machines, make separate restrooms for staff, move office space for staff, separate building for ping pong (too much noise) separate library, don't mix recreation with resource center
Anonymous 1/18/2019 09:13 AM	As a senior it is good to have a place for indoor sports, I really enjoy playing ping pong with other seniors. It brings me joy and good health too. My health is improving so much. Thank you o AARC staff I appreciate them. I think my

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Anonymous 1/18/2019 09:21 AM	concern is that rooms for ping pong are too small. My hope is for extended rooms with more space with a wooden or hard floor o play ping pong. Future is very good. All good facilities are there.
Anonymous 1/18/2019 09:25 AM	very good
Anonymous 1/18/2019 09:28 AM	fantastic AARC, role model
Anonymous 1/18/2019 09:30 AM	bigger space
Anonymous 1/18/2019 09:33 AM	promising and bright
Anonymous 1/18/2019 09:40 AM	The best meeting place for seniors. Wish it will continue to serve seniors as much as possible.
Anonymous 1/18/2019 09:46 AM	very innovative
Anonymous 1/18/2019 09:56 AM	It is a helpful place for seniors.
Anonymous 1/18/2019 10:01 AM	bright and upcoming
Anonymous 1/18/2019 10:06 AM	I should not only be a space for people to celebrate and share their culture, but also define I- through new activities, art, and conversations
Anonymous 1/18/2019 10:09 AM	It needs to grow given the changing demographics of Austin Texas.
Anonymous 1/18/2019 10:11 AM	brillant
Anonymous 1/18/2019 10:16 AM	good transportation
Anonymous 1/18/2019 10:22 AM	Whatever help is needed by staff we will give them
Anonymous 1/18/2019 10:31 AM	great, it's got great potential
Anonymous 1/18/2019 10:33 AM	good and continuing
Anonymous 1/18/2019 10:38 AM	expanded areas of classrooms, facility for yoga everyday, use of the kitchen by volunteers, more parking space

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Anonymous 1/18/2019 10:41 AM	I love AARC it's future is bright
Anonymous 1/18/2019 10:43 AM	visually functionally gathering space or Asians and Austinites
Anonymous 1/23/2019 11:25 AM	I didn't even know this place existed until last year. I would like this resource center be a hub for AA community beyond just arts and culture but also advocacy and community involvement. The programming is also geared towards Asian culture not necessarily AA experiences.
Anonymous 1/23/2019 04:05 PM	I would define the future of AARC as an organization that continues to provide access to a diverse community of people.
Anonymous 1/23/2019 08:33 PM	The Asian American community truly needs to see this as a community resource. Need more informal drop-in activities/events where people could drop-by and spend a little time (and perhaps money) to mix and mingle with other Asians. One idea could be having a mini Asian food court that operates only on weekends.
Anonymous 1/24/2019 08:56 AM	We think that it is adequate for now. We just hope that AARC will continue to provide activities and meals for seniors in the future.
Anonymous 1/24/2019 10:54 AM	Make it affordable, at least for the individuals and non-profit organizations, so more members of the community can utilize the facility.
Anonymous 1/24/2019 11:20 AM	It's good for the community and for those who are concerned about community activities.
Anonymous 1/24/2019 04:01 PM	Bring thought provoking conversations about AAPI identities and social issues surrounding the identity through exhibits of contemporary AAPI and performances by AAPI artists. Also, would like to see more panel discussions that will bring awareness about the social issues of AAPI. NEED to establish beyond Asian and voice as AAPI's.
Anonymous 1/24/2019 04:26 PM	AARC would be a place for big community events, with meeting rooms for community and city employees use of them, with a beautiful garden and plenty of parking spaces. Plus, a lot of different bus routes would facilitate for the community from different parts of Austin to attend (South, Southwest, Southeast, Central, North, etc.)
Anonymous 1/25/2019 09:18 AM	It will be the center that facilitates ongoing Asian cultural experience for all people, but especially for the various Asian communities that have grown in Austin.
Anonymous 1/25/2019 11:54 AM	I want the AARC to be a better gathering space in Northeast Austin for Asian American millenials as well as families/community groups. It's should be a more friendly environment that encourages people to come and hang out so including a cafe would be a great way to foster that, along with coworking or communal space that artists or entrepreneurs can use. Right now it does a great job enticing families and groups but individuals do not necessarily have incentive to "hang out." I would love for programming to have more progressive and cutting edge topics relevant to Asian American Pacific Islander (not just Asian) culture. I've noticed that while rentals and community

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Anonymous 1/25/2019 01:07 PM	events are very prevalent, it seems that this part (admittedly harder to program for) hasn't really been a focus aside from certain programs like POC Christmas, Loud & Proud, etc. Inclusive of all cultures not limited to just Asian Cultures.
Anonymous 1/25/2019 04:18 PM	Good!
Anonymous 1/26/2019 05:51 PM	Central gathering place for Asian community, and location for non-Asians to be exposed to and interact with Asian culture.
Anonymous 1/27/2019 09:21 AM	There's a lot of programming for youth and seniors but not much for those in between. Would be nice if reserving space at AARC was more accessible (financially but also having a clear process for it)
Anonymous 1/29/2019 09:02 AM	Can do better
Anonymous 1/29/2019 09:06 AM	Looking bright
Anonymous 1/29/2019 09:10 AM	necessary
Anonymous 1/29/2019 09:15 AM	Excited to see the facility grow so it can better serve the Central Texas community. High priority items from my perspective would be an art gallery, facility for yoga/martial arts/etc. activities, and an outdoor event/vendor space. Protection of the outdoor open spaces. A collective space.
Anonymous 1/29/2019 09:23 AM	
Anonymous 1/29/2019 11:24 AM	Community space for education, culture, social, and economic development of the growing Austin community
Anonymous 1/29/2019 11:30 AM	Community gathering for all ages. More adaptable spaces that would attract multiple organizations and families. To see it as a one stop resource for artists, community, organizations, educators of Asian-American origin. Well staffed and organized center that is inviting, inclusive, and available A place that different subsets of people can use to further their own goals using the resources here
Anonymous 1/29/2019 11:34 AM	
Anonymous 1/29/2019 11:39 AM	Bright! Very excited for future expansion
Anonymous 1/29/2019 11:48 AM	A big and bright one where the community can gather in a safe environment and learn from each other
Anonymous 1/29/2019 11:57 AM	Asian culture and language center
Anonymous	AARC is a great facility. Well maintained and with professional staff. Please

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1/29/2019 12:01 PM	keep up the good work. People are just finding out about AARC. I'm sure more and more folks will be coming
Anonymous	Wish more and letter.
1/29/2019 12:06 PM	
Anonymous	Allow more seniors attend activities, maintain physical health.
1/29/2019 12:09 PM	
Anonymous	Come here every week to socialize with Chinese seniors. Lunch quality is poor. Recommend order from Chinese restaurant. Add gym.
1/29/2019 12:17 PM	
Anonymous	Wish to expand.
1/29/2019 12:20 PM	
Anonymous	Wish everyone cared about each other, respect each other. Understand each other. I believe it will become a better place.
1/29/2019 12:32 PM	
Anonymous	Asian American Resource Center, not just for Asian Americans.
1/29/2019 02:48 PM	
Anonymous	In the future there will be more people coming to the AARC more activities are needed.
1/29/2019 03:42 PM	
Anonymous	A bright future after expanding
1/29/2019 04:09 PM	
Anonymous	Very good and Hope to Expand
1/29/2019 04:27 PM	
Anonymous	Important part of Austin's culture and engagement with Austin Community. Safe place to interact with others in the Northeast area which is very important.
1/30/2019 08:47 AM	Optimistic!
Anonymous	
1/30/2019 09:01 AM	
Anonymous	Would like to see multiple levels of language classes
1/30/2019 09:19 AM	
Anonymous	It could be a community center, but needs better way to let people know about events taking place.
1/30/2019 09:27 AM	
Anonymous	Bigger and better
1/30/2019 09:32 AM	
Anonymous	Multi-cultural hub
1/30/2019 09:49 AM	
Anonymous	A place where cultural exchange can take place. Asian culture is rich and diverse and in general not well understood by non-Asian people. AARC can play a role in spreading Asian culture among non Asian people through cultural events, classes, etc. It can also serve as a focus for Asian communities to preserve their own culture. youth programs would be a great

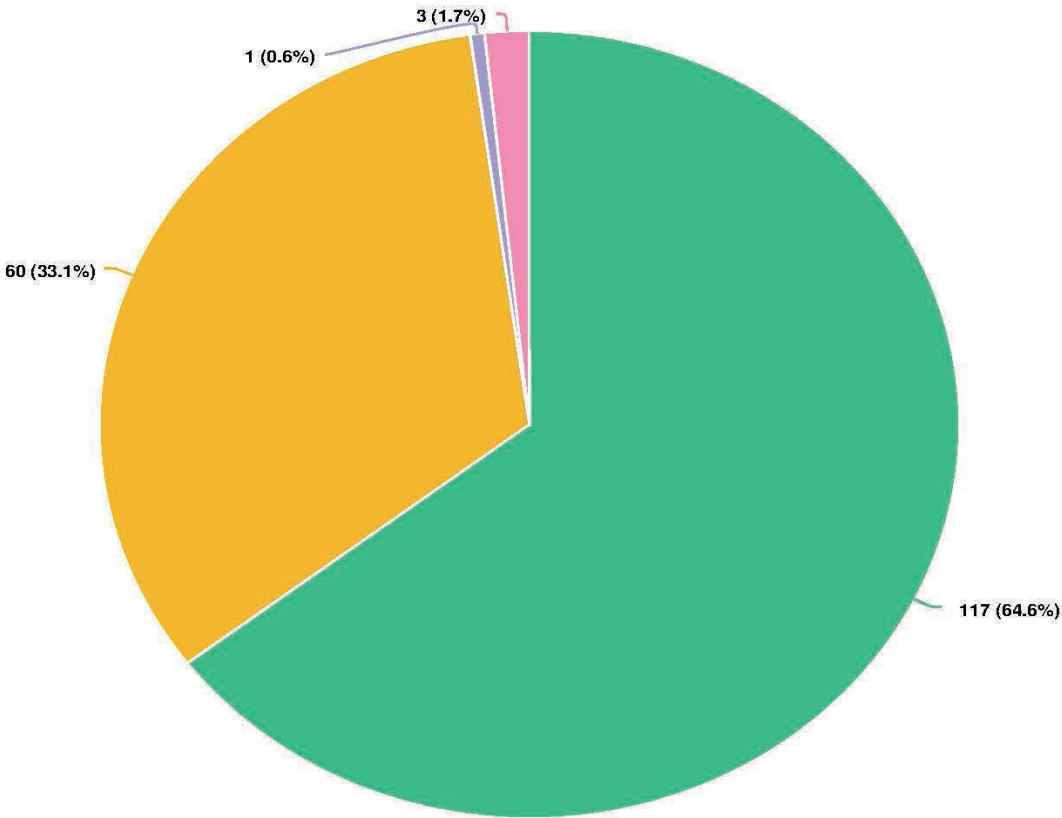
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	way to do this.
Anonymous	I think this could be an ideal location for inclusive and diverse programming
1/30/2019 09:58 AM	
Anonymous	I am hoping that there will be a variety in the future.
1/30/2019 10:04 AM	
Anonymous	The future of the AARC will be huge and will be better
1/30/2019 10:09 AM	
Anonymous	Wish it gets better and better
1/30/2019 02:46 PM	
Anonymous	Seniors' heaven
1/30/2019 03:02 PM	
Anonymous	More and diverse activity
1/30/2019 03:09 PM	
Anonymous	More Asian to come, enjoy various art, music, culture, related activities, so the place become a Asian culture sharing center, people will get along better, enjoy life better
1/30/2019 03:15 PM	
Anonymous	AARC will expand bigger and better in the future. More influence in the community.
1/30/2019 03:32 PM	
Anonymous	Add dance activity, add exercise equipment
1/30/2019 03:36 PM	
Anonymous	Wish the best!
1/30/2019 03:47 PM	
Anonymous	More pickup/drop off places when we aged enough to prevent us from driving
1/30/2019 03:48 PM	
Anonymous	Get better and better each day
1/30/2019 03:48 PM	
Anonymous	More activities for seniors and expanded use by community
1/30/2019 03:55 PM	
Anonymous	Broke, no money
1/31/2019 01:54 PM	
Anonymous	Make it a community hub
1/31/2019 02:06 PM	
Anonymous	Positive, diverse (community), more open to local artists
1/31/2019 02:11 PM	
Anonymous	Continues to be important community space but with more parking and room to grow
1/31/2019 02:17 PM	

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Optional question (103 responses, 119 skipped)

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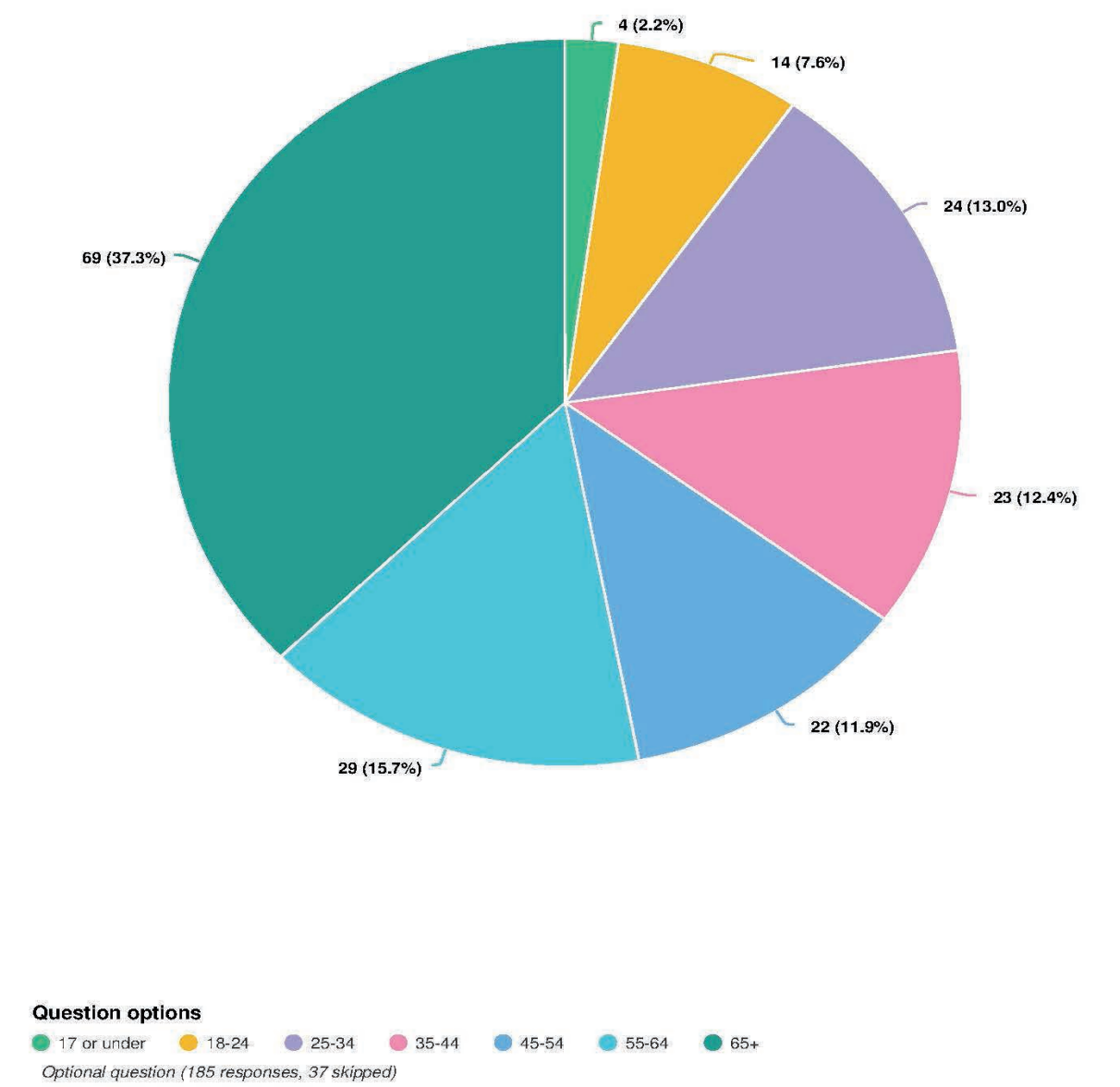
Q18 Gender



Question options
Female Male Non-binary Prefer not to answer
Optional question (181 responses, 41 skipped)

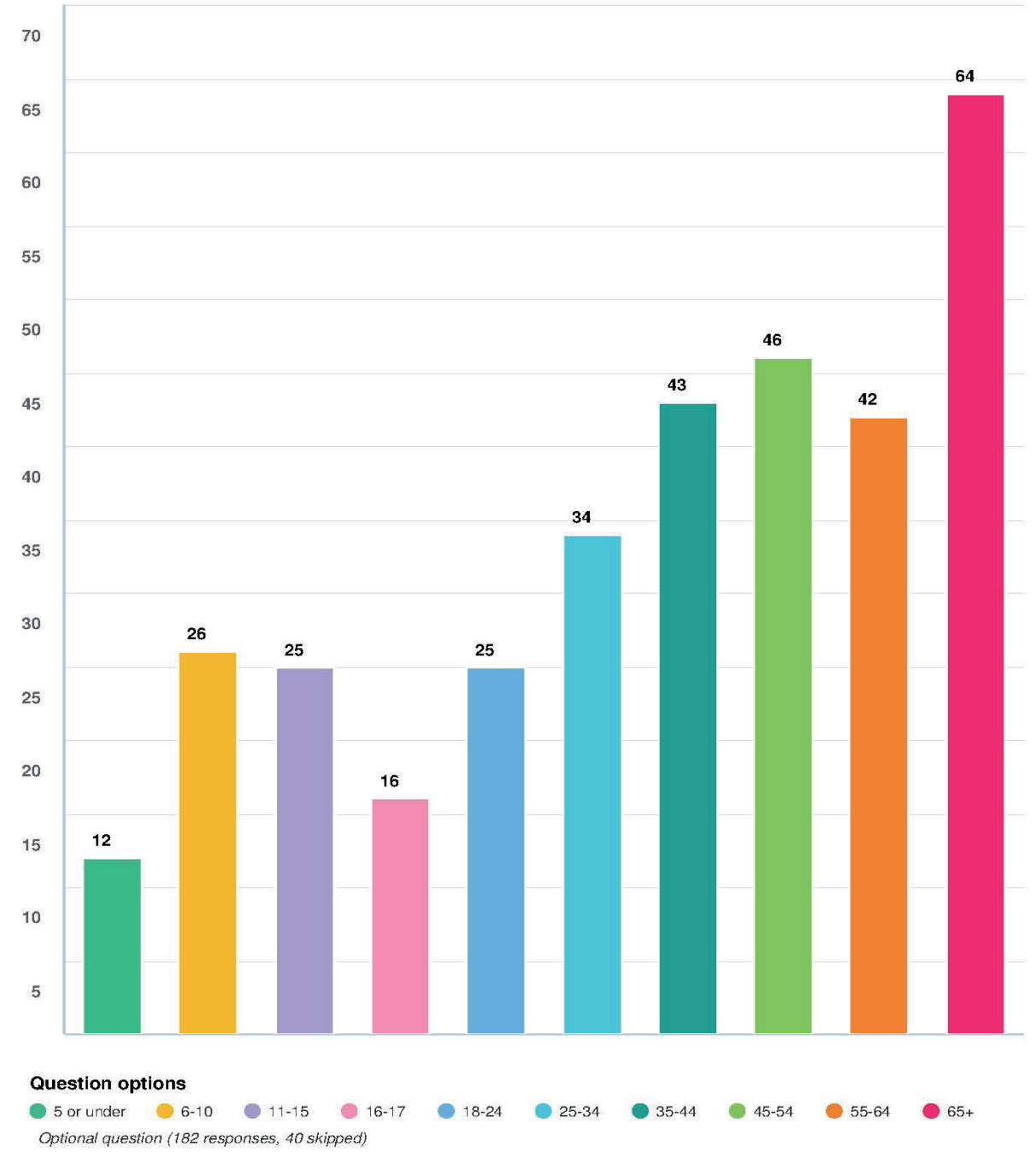
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Q19 Age group



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Q20 What ages live in your household? (Check all that apply.)



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Q21	What is the primary language spoken in your home?	
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Anonymous	English	12/11/2018 03:52 PM
Anonymous	English, Chinese and Japanese	12/12/2018 10:45 AM
Anonymous	English. Vietnamese	12/15/2018 11:04 AM
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Anonymous	English	12/20/2018 10:05 AM
justin.schneider	Mandarin and English	12/28/2018 01:21 PM
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Anonymous	Bangla	

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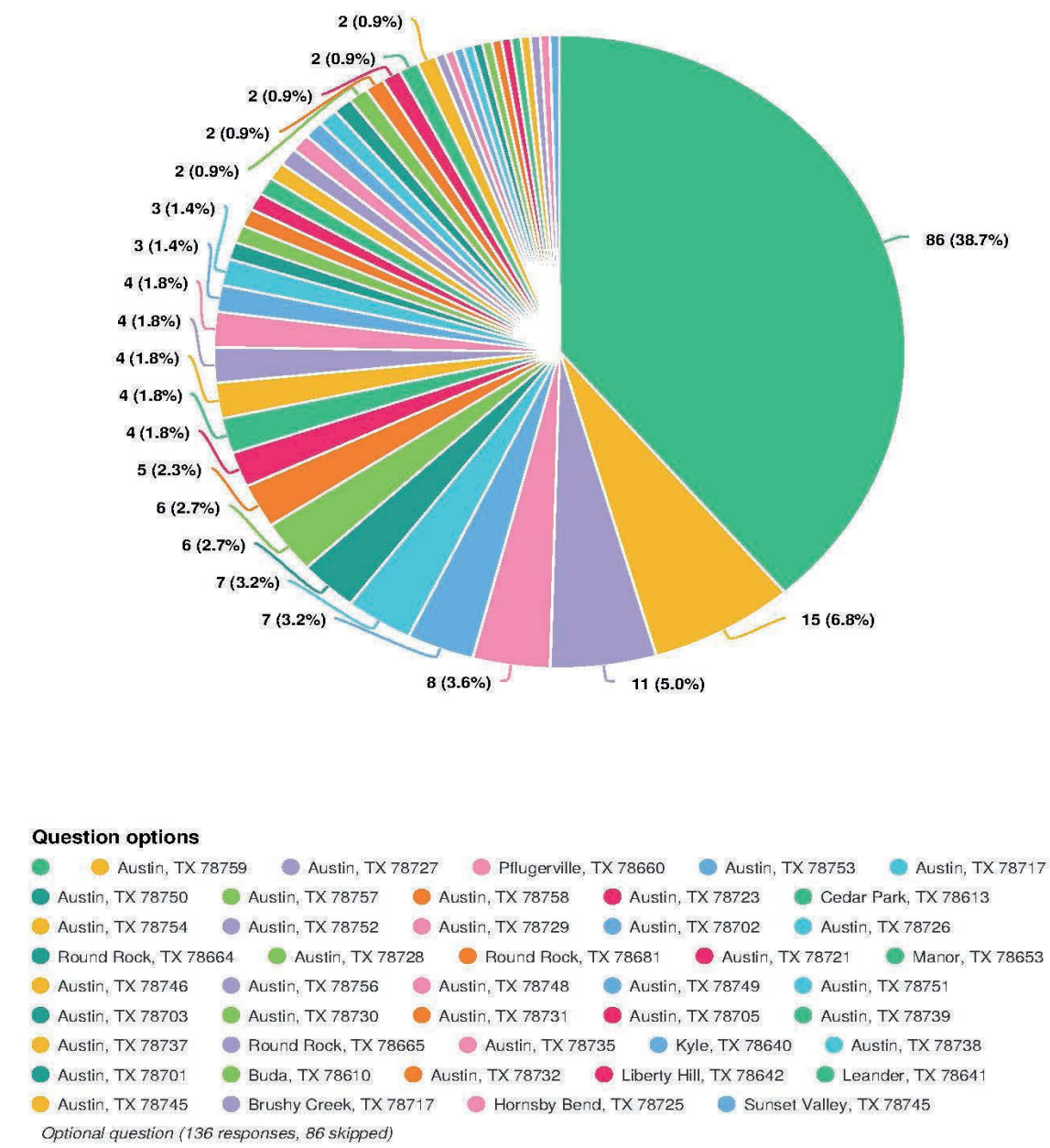
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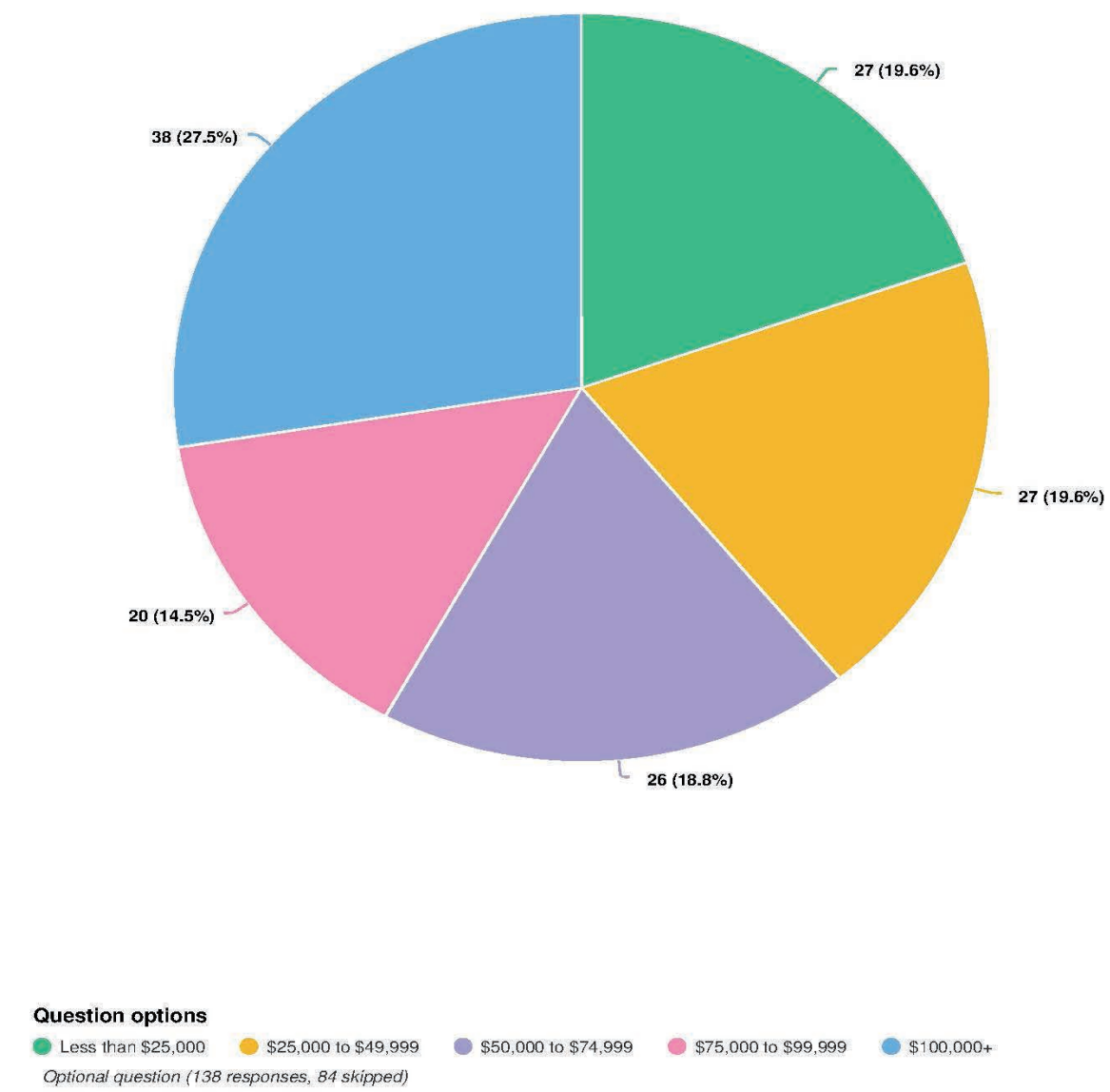
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Q22 What is your home zip code?



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Q23 Approximate household income



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Anonymous 1/30/2019 09:22 AM	Vietnamese
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Anonymous 1/30/2019 02:46 PM	Asian
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Asian American Resources Center Survey - Values and Programming : Survey Report for 13 October 2017 to 31 January 2019	
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Anonymous 1/30/2019 04:09 PM	Chinese
Anonymous 1/31/2019 01:59 PM	Indian
Anonymous 1/31/2019 02:03 PM	Indian
Anonymous 1/31/2019 02:06 PM	South Asian

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Anonymous	Indian
1/31/2019 02:11 PM	
Anonymous	Mixed race- black/white
1/31/2019 02:17 PM	
Optional question (143 responses, 79 skipped)	

Community Meeting #2 Summary

Thursday, January 31, 2019

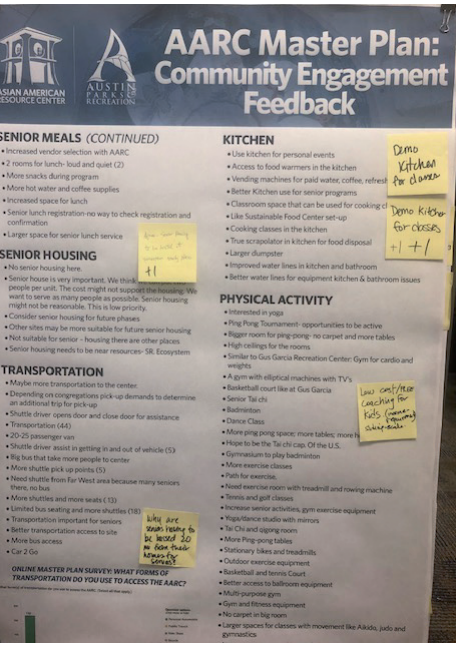
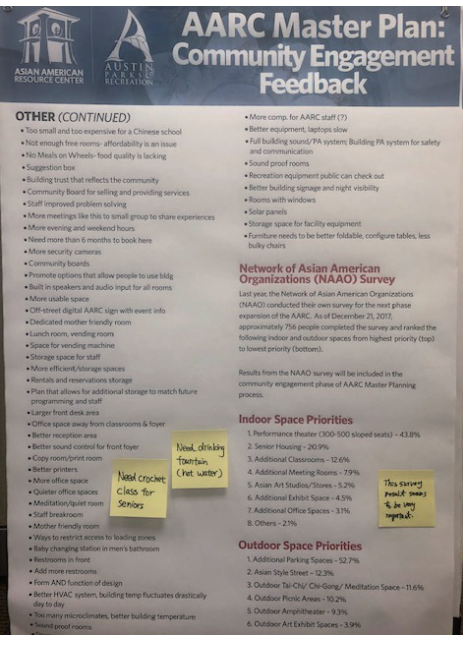
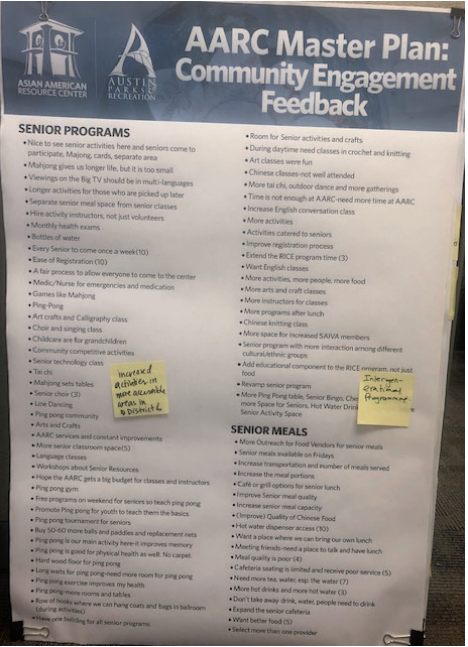
6:00 pm – 8:00 pm

Asian American Resource Center, Ballroom
(No Language Services Requested)

The community was provided with opportunities to review the comments from Community Meeting #1, Small Group Discussions, and results from the community survey alongside the survey conducted by NAAO in 2017. From these comments and results, Master Planning Values were derived. Community members were asked to add any additional comments they had and to provide feedback on the Master Planning Values.

Master Planning Values

- Future plans should advance the mission and vision of the center as a cultural and life-enhancing space.
- To cultivate cross cultural Asian American experiences.
- To create opportunities for intergenerational experiences both indoors and outdoors.
- The space should be flexible; capable of supporting a wide range of programming with a priority for cultural arts and active life activities.
- Design should reflect Asian American identities.
- New development must meet the present and future needs of staff (offices, storage, meeting space).
- Acknowledge and incorporate previous planning processes to the maximum extent possible.
- Use sustainable planning practices to take full advantage of current and future resources and funding.



Board Comments (see pages 10-20 for board text)

Under Senior Programs:

"Increased activities in more accessible areas in District 6"

"Intergenerational Programming"

Under Senior Meals:

"Again, Senior family to be at[cannot read note on board]"

Under Transportation:

"Why are seniors having to be bused 20 mi. from their houses for services?"

Under Kitchen:

"Demo kitchen for classes" (3)

Under Physical Activity:

"Low cost/free coaching for kids. Sliding scale.

"Divided Activity Room for classrooms is a high priority"



Comment Cards

I would like an analysis of demographics and see followup w/ areas/groups that had a disparity in responses received. Survey demo especially lacking 18-24 and 25-36. Also, are there considerations for why people are requesting all the needs/services submitted when they do not live near AARC? Are their neighborhoods/districts lacking culturally welcoming services/programs? We should not pigeonhole all Asian American wants to AARC when our community lives through the city.

(1) I am Deva Newparne, representing Nepali Society. I want some exhibition permanent that shows Nepali culture. And I suggest to build and paint that looks like Asian Cultures. (2) I want to suggest to have cooking classes where can teach different type of food making

Senior housing that benefits only very few people is very inefficient use of limited public resources. The program should aim to benefit most people to achieve maximum effect.

(1) Prioritize "services". For example, we want performance center, partitions for conference room, parking spaces. We don't need senior housing. (2) Allocation reservations for say 10 different groups. Input from Chin Chang.

Very happy with progress so far, we have had many success events here over past 8 years. Parking plan should precede capacity planning of any new Auditorium/event space. Must include covered/enclosed pedestrian walkway between buldings. Agree with the value statements as they are. Keep up the good work!!

Under Meeting Space/Classrooms/Programs in General

"Need 15 classrooms for language schools"

"Social services – connecting to mainstream providers and govt benefits"

"What else would you like to see?"

"Smaller event spaces outside of ballroom"

"More medium size classrooms"

"Inclusivity!!! AAPI – Didn't see this in presentation"

"Asian Street needs to be more inclusive South Asian friends"

"Asian street – keep in mind countries do not equal cultures"

"Services for new immigrants and refugees. More space for more nonprofits"

"After school programming (safe spaces for youth)"

Under Outdoor Uses

"More garden beds!"

"Labyrinth for mediation (walking)"

"Promenade"

Under Other

"Need drinking fountain (hot water)"

"Need crochet class for seniors"

Under Indoor Space Priorities

"The survey result seems to be very important."

Community Meeting #3 Summary

Thursday, March 28, 2019

6:00 pm – 8:00 pm

Asian American Resource Center, Ballroom
(No Language Services Requested)



At the third community meeting, the Preliminary Concepts were presented. Community members were invited to provide comments and input based on how well the concepts aligned with the Master Planning Values and overall response. In addition, community members were invited to respond to a concepts questionnaire tool to be shared to those unable to attend the meeting.

Concept A (Presented 3/28/2019)

PLAN LEGEND

- PERFORMING ARTS SPACE (8,000-12,000sf)
 - Theater Proscenium
 - Dressing/Green Rooms
 - Storage
 - Exhibition/Gallery Space
 - Entry/Lobby
 - Box Office
 - Projection
- 2 STORY BUILDING (6,000-9,000 sf)
 - Upper Level
 - Studio Space
 - Meeting Space
 - Office Space
 - Storage
 - Lower Level
 - Classroom Space
 - Meeting Space
 - Library
- 2 STORY BUILDING (6,000-9,000 sf)
 - Upper Level
 - Office Space
 - Classroom Space
 - Storage
 - Cafe/Vending
 - Lower Level
 - Classroom Space
 - Meeting Space
 - Library
- STAGE/PAVILION (1,600sf)
- ASIA PROMENADE / EVENT COURT (14,000sf - 1,200 people)
 - Market Space
 - Formal Events
 - Art Display
- FORMAL ENTRY GATE & WALL
- ARRIVAL FEATURE
- ROCK GARDEN (jia shan) AT GRADE CHANGE
- EVENT & ACTIVITY LAWN (23,000sf - 2,000 people)
- EXERCISE EQUIPMENT AREA
- SCULPTURE GARDEN
- NATURE PLAY AREA
- WATER QUALITY/ DETENTION WET POND
- CLEAR CREEK DRIVE ENTRY SCULPTURE
- LEARNING GARDEN
- COMMUNITY GARDEN & OUTDOOR KITCHEN
- VEHICULAR & PEDESTRIAN BRIDGES
- COMPOSED VIEW GARDEN
 - Architecture
 - Waterscape
 - Plants
 - Rocks
- RESERVED FOR FUTURE DEVELOPMENT
- LITTLE WALNUT CREEK OVERLOOK
- RIPARIAN AREA WITH BOARDWALK
- PICNIC AREAS
- OUTDOOR GAME & PICNIC PAVILION
- NATURE TRAIL
- STRUCTURED VIEWPOINT

PARKING

	REQUIRED	PROVIDED
EXISTING	32	91
PROPOSED	164	164

VISION

The vision is to empower Austin's diverse communities through cultural understanding and life-enhancing opportunities.

MISSION

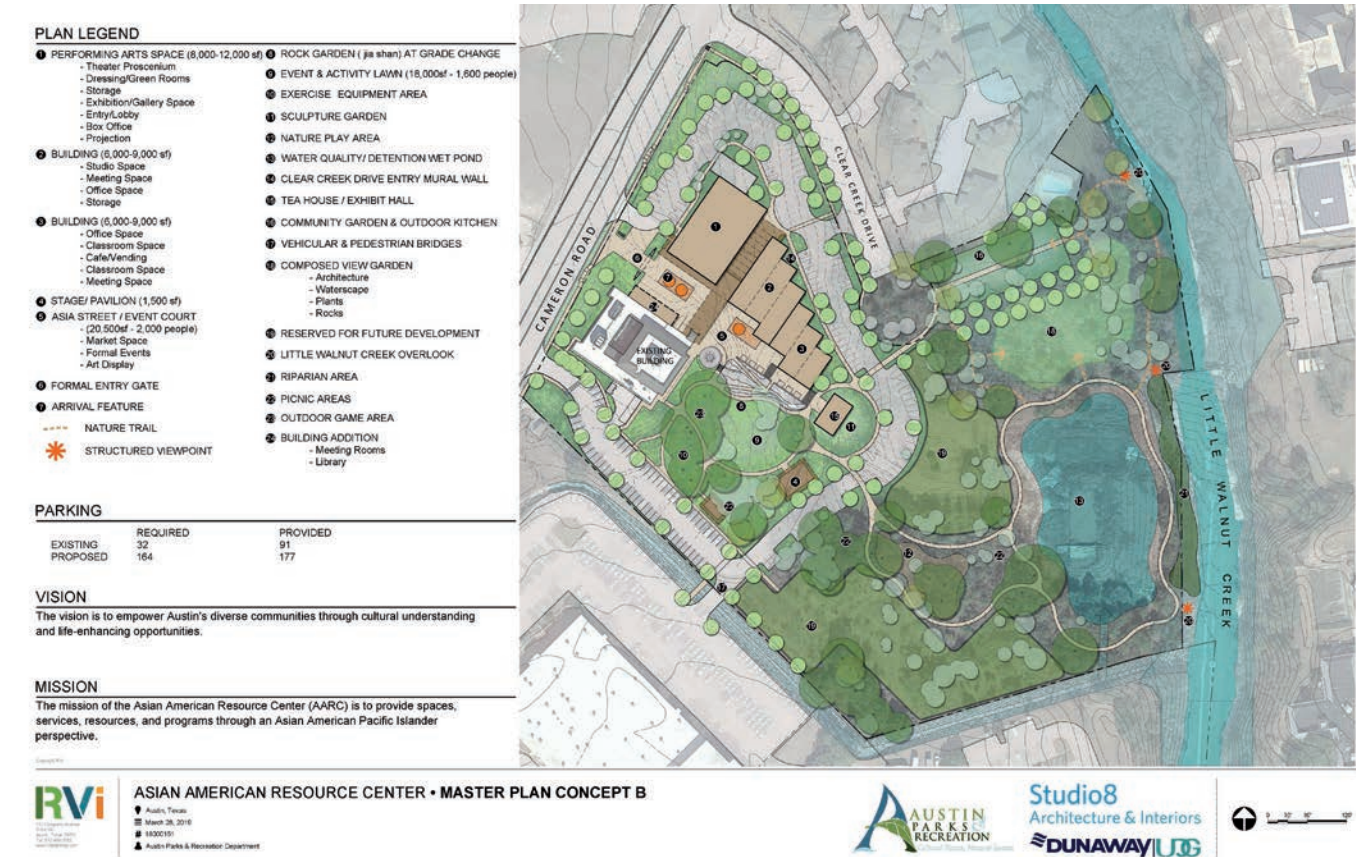
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13 October 2017 - 30 July 2019

Master Plan Values-
Concept Questionnaire

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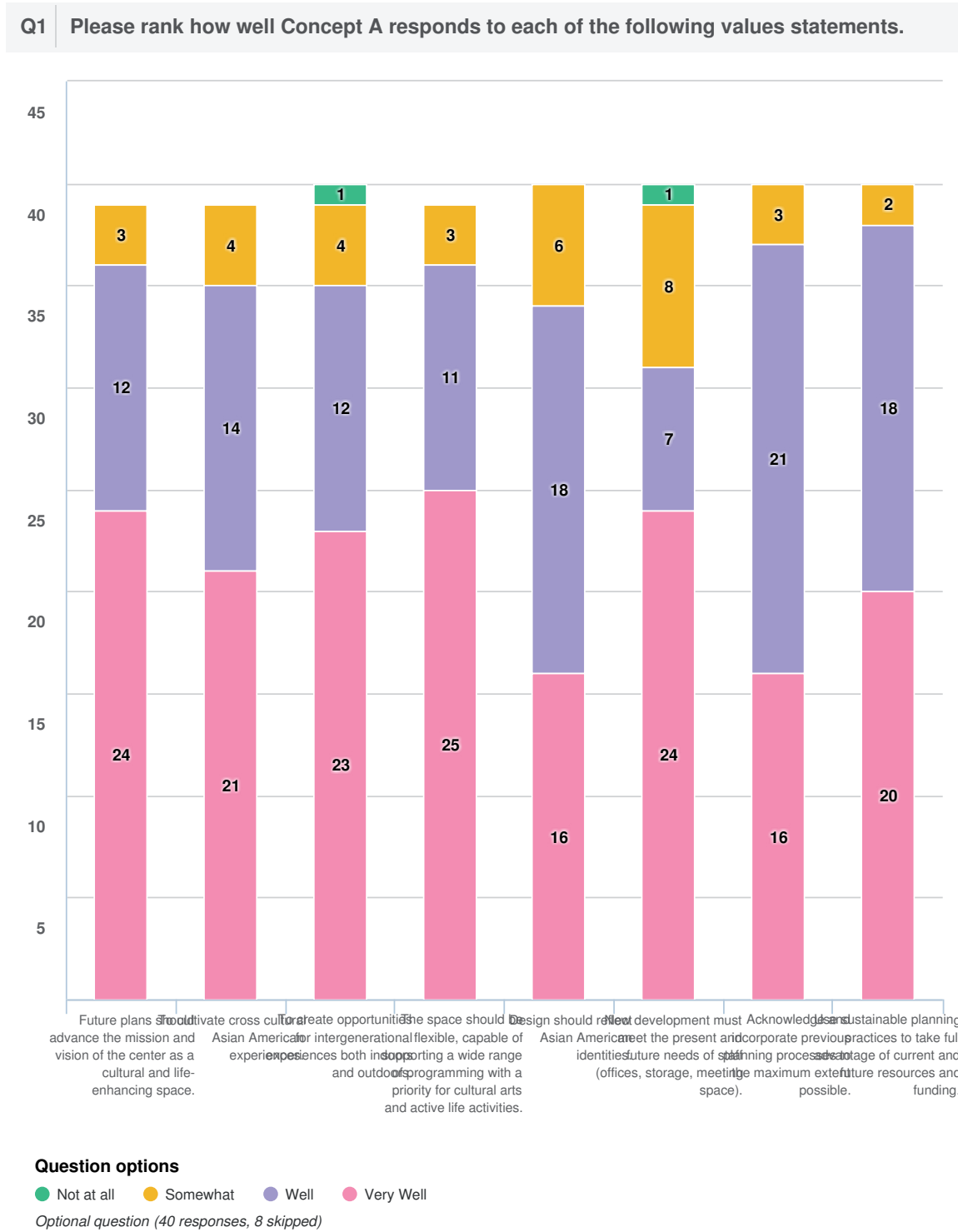
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3/29/2019 11:47 AM	Need to have a plan for \$7.5M Budget. (Phase - 2) 3. How do you keep existing AARC in operation when the existing road is gone. 4. U-shape seating area for performance ctr 5. Cameron St drop location has elevation problem
Anonymous 3/29/2019 03:56 PM	I like the bridge area. This will increase the appreciation for the nature surrounding the AARC. It is important to also incorporate education and reflection in the outdoor spaces. The buildings in the main area are not utilizing the space as well as plan B. Having a mix of structured outdoor and indoor spaces is nice.
Anonymous 4/03/2019 02:02 PM	Since there will be an identifiable East Asian rock garden (jia shan), it's important to have sculptures, art, and other outdoor murals and/or garden to represent the other rich cultures present in Asia, including from Southeast Asia, and the Pacific Islands.
Anonymous 4/03/2019 03:16 PM	Thank you for including the performing arts space in both Plans A & B. My big concern is adapting the space for more parking. If there are more events that house more people, we will need parking. Crossing the street to park at overflow at the church presents safety concerns, which is what I faced when I attended the Andrew Yang Presidential rally in March, which was extremely well attended, exciting, and lovely - but it did expose the parking problems.
Anonymous 4/05/2019 09:56 PM	In order to arrive at an intelligent and responsible opinion on either of these proposed concepts, it will require having the following : *.Access to the cost and proposed budget foreach concept. * What is the funding source for either concept? *. The proposed time frame for beginning to completion.? * Would the construction be opened to local bids? Without these important considerations , we would be like children who assume they have a secret Santa Claus that will just magically give them anything they that think would be fun to have. Totally irresponsible.
Anonymous 4/07/2019 12:15 PM	Like the open space between buildings and the turn around in between for dropping off seniors. I really like the greenspace, pond area, and riparian gardens.
Anonymous 4/10/2019 01:49 AM	I like the idea of larger buildings to accommodate large scale artworks and events. Areas can be sectioned off if needed so the plan is more flexible. Overall I think the design is cleaner and a nicer design. I like an open concept design.
Vincent Cobalis 4/12/2019 02:13 PM	I like the overall concept: passenger drop-off area, Clear Creek Drive entrance, the way the retention pond is incorporated. The Asian promenade is a very important element, but "B" allocates more space. Try to find a way that the Performing Arts theater can be flexible enough for other uses, such as large cultural events that don't use theater seating. Current auditorium is not big enough for many events. Outdoor stage location and size of outdoor activity lawn is better than "B"
Anonymous 4/14/2019 11:46 AM	Building cluster is more traditional.
Anonymous 4/15/2019 01:56 PM	Plan a is much better than b.
Anonymous	Will there be elevators because my tired knees can't handle going up and

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Q2	Share your thoughts on Concept A.
Anonymous 3/29/2019 11:17 AM	Concern with both designs is parking - at recent Night Market event at Braker and Lamar, congestion and parking was a nightmare, almost dangerous - concept parking situation and expected capacity don't seem to be aligned consider parking garage
Anonymous 3/29/2019 11:18 AM	Build space to be multi-use.
Anonymous 3/29/2019 11:21 AM	I like the convenience of the dropoff point relative to the existing & planned space. The open concept seems more open to the rest of the neighborhood, but I think it may dilute the impact of the actual facility.
Anonymous 3/29/2019 11:25 AM	I like the more organic feel of the plaza, the Clear Creak cul de sac entrance. I'm less of a fan of the "wall" idea. I prefer inclusion to exclusion. I prefer the treatment of the pond/floodplain area in Concept A, particularly the path directly engaging the creek. Overall a more "natural" and organic design which I prefer, apart from the front partition concept.
Anonymous 3/29/2019 11:27 AM	1. The new hall/proscenium (Bulding marked L) should provide a stage (better than what we have now) and a FLAT FLOOR, or it will only serve as a center for cultural performances and not all cultural events where a flat floor is needed. 2. The bridge to the APD parking lot should be for pedestrians only.
Anonymous 3/29/2019 11:28 AM	Do we need a bridge over the pond?
Anonymous 3/29/2019 11:31 AM	I like the 3 access points from Cameron Rd with the circular drop-off point being in the center is much more convenient that drop-off point for Concept B. I also like the varied orientation of the new bldgs to the existing bldg. I like boardwalk across pond
Anonymous 3/29/2019 11:44 AM	Comments written next to values: [To create opportunities...] Very Well (especially, learning garden next to library) [The spacee should be flexibls...] Somewhat ("1 Building" should be flat, I think, because many people want just huge hall, not theater procenium, or space with stairs) [Design should reflect...] Well - I can't see any facade in this plan, and also in master plan, there are not any symbolic design for Asian Americans.) [Use sustainable planning...] Very Well (because "19 space" is remained open for the future) But I'm not sure about the funding 7 - circular system would be good for drop-off, but I'm not sure if it's really necessary 1 - I think this building is going to be main building of new ones, so I want it to be more clearly designed and planned. 11 - I don't think sculpture garden need to be added in the masterplan because there are already sculpture garden next to the existing building. Rather than that, how about t commercial cafe for renting??? With one commercial cafe, the outdoor space would be more safe. 15 - Library and learning garden is soooo good idea, I think!! 4 - Stage is also very good idea! :) - Loda
Anonymous	1. Classrooms need to be grouped together for Asian Language Schools. 2.

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4/22/2019 11:31 AM	Dr. with welcome sculpture Love Boardwalk to creek! Car-Ped bridge from parking overflow - Yay!
Anonymous	I tried to see it more closely with the link provided but it took me to a 404 message. I hope the design is really accessible and inclusive of people with disabilities, including those of us who use wheelchairs. I hope not just observation areas, but also preformance or other activity areas are accessible because people with disabilities are not just observers of life, we may be the presenters, performers, etc.
4/29/2019 12:57 PM	Plan A we support
Anonymous	
5/01/2019 05:05 PM	
Anonymous	This seems to be the substance based on what I heard in the meeting on 05/01/2019. Also, I have added a few suggestions which might be taken into consideration: 1). Class rooms can be added in Phase 3 of development of the Master Plan. For now, the main room in Phase 1 can be temporarily (movable) partitioned to create another 6 class rooms for various activities. This will make a total of 8 + 6 = 14 class rooms, enough for current activity levels. 2) AARC needs bigger space to accommodate 800 to 1000 people from Vietnamese, Chinese, Indian, South Korean, Cambodian communities. Currently these communities are holding their gatherings in other places, thereby AARC losing revenue. To hold at least 800 people in the space in stage 2 of development, Gallery seating does nor seem to be a good idea. Removable seating seems a better utilization of space and most of the communities seem to like it. One compromise might be to make the floor gradually slopped down from back to front towards the stage. This arrangement can accommodate 800 or more movable chairs and make the stage visible from the back of the room. 3) With so many people using the AARC facility through out the year it may be worthwhile to add a traffic light in the main gate of AARC in Camden road.
5/02/2019 04:05 PM	

Optional question (36 responses, 12 skipped)

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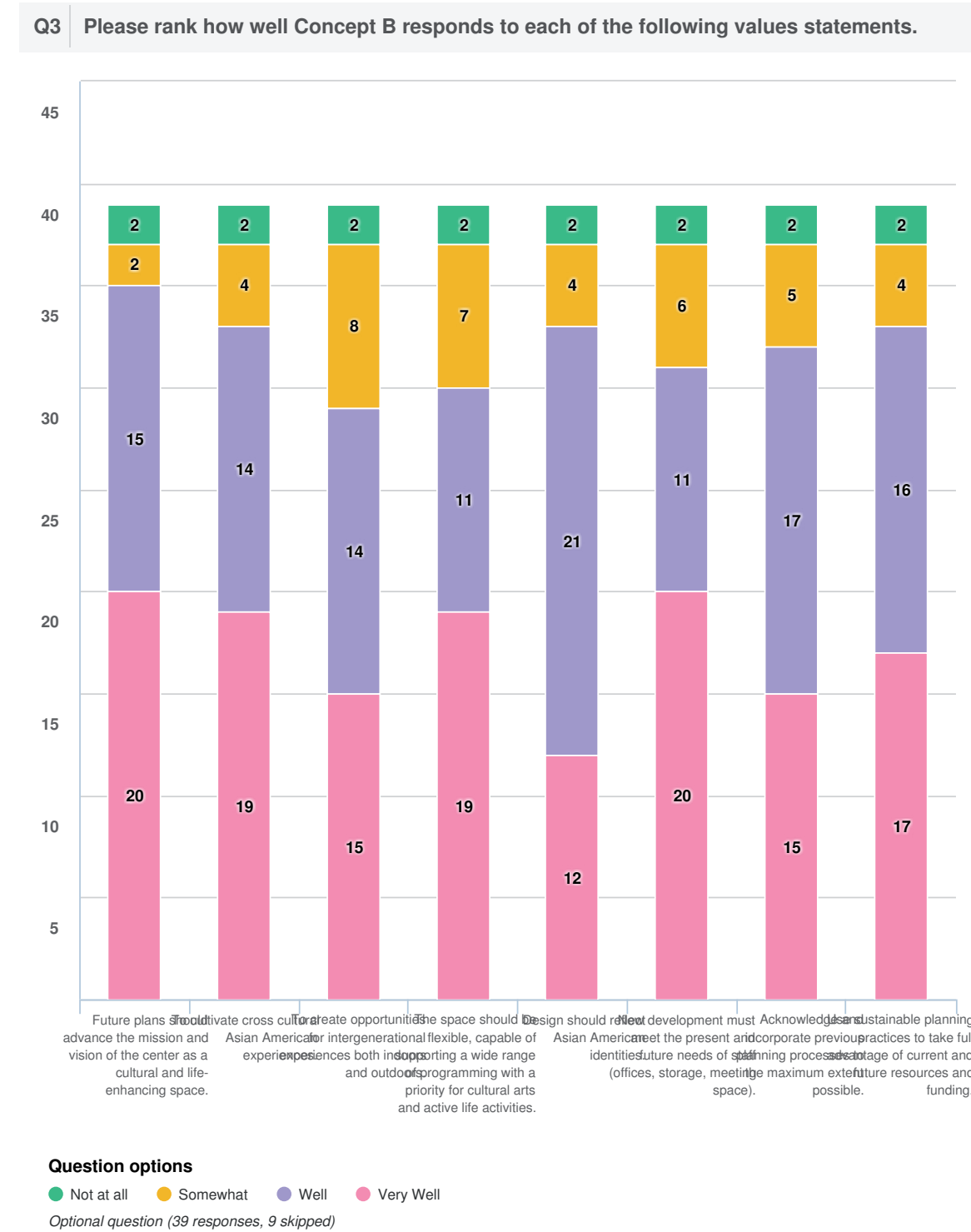
4/16/2019 01:40 PM	down two stories
Anonymous	Better use of grounds by having 2 story building. Having a few less parking spaces negated by overflow parking. Onto the circular drive at the end of Cleer Creek Drive will give a better flow for vehicles existing parking.
4/16/2019 01:44 PM	Boardwalk is an excellent idea
Anonymous	
4/16/2019 01:45 PM	
Anonymous	Overall, I like the feel of Concept A the most. I like the circular drop-off driveway between the buildings. I like the cul-de-sac turnout onto Clear Creek Drive, and a sculpture at that entry. I love the boardwalk going over the pond to the creek.
4/17/2019 01:36 PM	We don't want this to be built. Invest in what this city actually needs
Anonymous	
4/18/2019 09:40 PM	
Anonymous	A Six Hole Disc Golf Course would be Great for this Area...With a beautiful STROLL Trough the Grounds. People of all Ages Can And Will Play It. Better to go For A walk Then Sitting On the COUCH.
4/19/2019 10:03 AM	I like the community garden.
Anonymous	
4/19/2019 01:28 PM	
Anonymous	cannot download PDF
4/22/2019 09:11 AM	
Anonymous	I like the boardwalk!
4/22/2019 09:21 AM	
Anonymous	Concept A has less of a footprint. The outdoor space/green space is larger. More flexibility to use the space. Having two stories will allow more use of storage and separation during events.
4/22/2019 09:49 AM	This does not allow for a larger hall with more seating space and enhanced acoustics, which is an issue with the art and culture events organized in the current space.
Anonymous	Concept A requires a smaller footprint and therefore leaves more greenspace available for current use and potential future expansion. The larger outdoor area provides greater opportunities for cultural, cross cultural and intergenerational experiences without being constrained within four walls. The two-story design of the building provides differentiated spaces front & back of huose requirements - e.g. storage in lower level & meeting spaces in the upper level. The 2 story building provides a better "canvas" for showcasing Asian inspired architectures.
4/22/2019 10:15 AM	In regards of reflecting Asian American Identities, please consider: Asian, Asian-American, Multiracial Communities (mixed race families). You have an opportunity for this to be a space that doesn't just promote mono-racial categories - since identity is a fluid concept.
Anonymous	- Not in love with the market space under event court. - It does no make more parking - No space labelled for staff.
4/22/2019 11:17 AM	
Anonymous	
4/22/2019 11:27 AM	
Anonymous	Favorite overall. Like circular drop-off Like cul-de-sac entry from Cross Creek

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Q4 Share your thoughts on Concept B.	
Anonymous 3/28/2019 01:57 PM	Overall I prefer concept b
Anonymous 3/29/2019 11:17 AM	parking situation needs work consider garage
Anonymous 3/29/2019 11:18 AM	not hard to answer all "very well"!
Anonymous 3/29/2019 11:21 AM	Although this design is more closed off to Cameron Rd than A, the design feels more impressive -- creating a more enclosed space between the buildings for gathering space has more of a feeling of bringing people together. I also agree w/the speaker that there is an appeal to being able to view large crowds as you pass by the center. My only concern is that the walkway from the dropoff point to the building entrances may be too long for seniors or those with mobility issues.
Anonymous 3/29/2019 11:25 AM	Concerned about the distance of drop off areas in regards to persons with disabilities. Natural area seems much less engaged and somewhat perfunctory. I'd like more engagement w/outdoors. I do like the lack of "wall" and more welcoming entryway, but the straight lines feel too formal. The Clear Creek cul de sac is reduced to an appendix, not good for traffic flow.
Anonymous 3/29/2019 11:27 AM	This is the preferred option, but comments for option 1 apply here too. [From Concept A: 1. The new hall/proscenium (Bulding marked L) should provide a stage (better than what we have now) and a FLAT FLOOR, or it will only serve as a center for cultural performances and not all cultural events where a flat floor is needed. 2. The bridge to the APD parking lot should be for pedestrians only.]
Anonymous 3/29/2019 11:28 AM	I like this concept B
Anonymous 3/29/2019 11:31 AM	I don't like the center entrance in this concept, seems less grand and drop-off point is less convenient.
Anonymous 3/29/2019 11:44 AM	Comments written next to values: [To cultivate cross cultural...] Very Well ("5 Space" is very unique) [To create opportunities...] Somewhat (I don't think we need mural wall in the space of learning garden in Concept A) 5 The idea to make spaces for Asia street is good idea, but it needs to be more interactive with adjunct building. 3 cafe in this building might be noisy. I concerned. 5 & 15 How about making some furniture in 5 with connecting 15. 14 I want architects to consider the mural wall is the best for Concept B. 4 The direction of the stage in concept B is better than one of Concept A in terms that pedestrian and visitors can use whole space freely (5, 8, 9, 10, 23) - Loda 1. Classrooms need to be grouped together for language schools 2. Need to have phase plan for current \$7.6M in 5-yrs 3. Need to keep AARC phase-1 in operation during phase-2 construction 4. U-shaped seating area at

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Anonymous 4/16/2019 01:45 PM	Multilevel structures will present problems for seniors
Anonymous 4/17/2019 01:36 PM	The ideas I like from Concept B are: the inclusion of a Tea House / Exhibit Hall; paved walkways through the picnic and play areas and around the pond, rather than just nature trails which would not be as accessible for some people. And on both - I love the vehicle and pedestrian bridges from the overflow parking on the south.
Anonymous 4/19/2019 10:03 AM	A Six Hole Disc Golf Course would be Great for this Area...With a beautiful STROLL Trough the Grounds. People of all Ages Can And Will Play It. Better to go For A walk Then Sitting On the COUCH.
Anonymous 4/19/2019 01:28 PM	I love the Tea House! The both plans are fabulous! Can we have the both community garden AND tea house?
Anonymous 4/22/2019 09:11 AM	- Still needs to be more parking. Recommended parking garage. RLC Overflow Parking cannot be relied on as the primary parking. Far walk from AARC, difficult during inclement weather, dark at night, not accessible for ADA. - would like more details on the "Asia Street" event court. What can be accommodated here? Number of tents?, etc. will it be covered? like the idea but needs to be executed well. - is nature play area a playground? need a playscape for children. safe area for kids to play during events. - no outdoor kitchen. need to utilize kitchen we already have. difficult to upkeep, monitor, and mantain. - tea house/gallery hall - is this exhibit space? seems very far and disconnected from building - no outdoor ping pong (too hot, weather dependent), definitely need dedicated indoor space for ping pong 3 tables) - each building needs to have dedicated office space for staff responsible for those buildings/activities - like the drop off in concept A. Definitely need drop off areas that do not impede traffic. particularly if parking will not increase significantly. - flexible spaces or need to determine the purpose and utility of each space in relation to the programs the facility will offer. - no cafe - too many logistics and operational requirements. - space for vending machines that does not impact aesthetics - must have plenty of storage space and office space for growth
Anonymous 4/22/2019 09:49 AM	Concept B is a bit much. Too much concrete space. Having one story is difficult to separate events.
Anonymous 4/22/2019 10:15 AM	This does not allow for a larger hall with more seating space and enhanced acoustics, which is an issue with the art and culture events organized in the current space.
Anonymous 4/22/2019 10:48 AM	The building is TOO BIG - the AARC is not an event center or a performance hall. Once the building is built, that greenspace is gone forever. The single story design provides no differentiation in "real estate value" so that storage gets equal billing with community meeting spaces. This concept is trending towards an auditorium and not in the directions of the mission and vision of the AARC.
Anonymous 4/22/2019 11:27 AM	- Parking looks awkward. - Do not like having cafe in facility. - Not happy with layout as parking doesn't accomodate to all buildings.

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Anonymous 3/29/2019 03:56 PM	performance ctr 5. Need to incorporate landscape concept of "A" The tea house is a nice touch. The bridge in Plan A target the opportunity for the community to be further in touch with nature in the spaces offered. The actual building area for this plan is better because it utilizes the spaces between the buildings. I think that the outdoor areas connecting the buildings (the space dedicated to the artwork) could be smaller or offer more outdoor art spaces that can be rotated through with different collections. The smooth edges of the plan in this concept is very soothing to look at. And when executed it could be very nice for the community to see and walk through. Since there will be an identifiable East Asian rock garden (jia shan), it's important to have sculptures, art, and other outdoor murals and/or garden to represent the other rich cultures present in Asia, including from Southeast Asia, and the Pacific Islands.
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Anonymous 4/03/2019 03:16 PM	I dont like the buildings so close together without the greenspace in between. It makes it look like a monolithic structure where as concept A has a better integration with the outdoors and leaves more possibilities for beautiful outdoor spaces.
Anonymous 4/10/2019 01:49 AM	I think the design is fragmented and does not encourage cross cultural activities and presentation. I think it seems to isolate too much... and limits large scale concepts and ideas. The flow seems choppy and restrictive. Are the segmented lines within the buildings representative of movable walls? In that case the overall square footage seems larger and that would be a positive.
Anonymous 4/11/2019 05:40 AM	Concept B is far superior to Concept A in every way.
Vincent Cobalis 4/12/2019 02:13 PM	I like the tea garden concept in "B", but the outdoor stage location is better in "A". Asia Street better in "B" than "A". (might be able to access economic development funding). Hard to compare interior sizes, but I prefer the flowing design of "A" to the boxy "B" design. Clear Creek Drive entrance might flow traffic better in "A" than "B". Little Walnut Creek overlook good in both concepts. Be sure to consider staging the development based on available funding. Consider improvements to existing building, such as a divider for the auditorium.
Anonymous 4/14/2019 11:46 AM	Building design invites patrons to venture into other areas of the AARC complex.
Anonymous 4/16/2019 01:40 PM	It needs the bridge across the water and then it's perfect!

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Anonymous 4/22/2019 11:31 AM	Like addition of Tea House/Exhibit Hall. Like paved walkways for accessibility to picnic & play areas & pond. They both have great ideas & look exciting!
Anonymous 4/29/2019 12:57 PM	I tried to see it more closely with the link provided but it took me to a 404 message. I hope the design is really accessible and inclusive of people with disabilities, including those of us who use wheelchairs. I hope not just observation areas, but also preformance or other activity areas are accessible because people with disabilities are not just observers of life, we may be the presenters, performers, etc.
Anonymous 5/01/2019 10:52 AM	Have been to some performances at ARC recently (music concerts). Current set up and AV system makes it hard to enjoy the music. Having a theater style setting with a high quality AV system will encourage the community to use the PAC more often
Anonymous 5/01/2019 10:53 AM	Current set up and the AV system makes it hard to enjoy and event. Having a real theater style setting with high quality AV system will make more sense.
Anonymous 5/02/2019 04:05 PM	This seems to be the substance based on what I heard in the meeting on 05/01/2019. Also, I have added a few suggestions which might be taken into consideration: 1). Class rooms can be added in Phase 3 of development of the Master Plan. For now, the main room in Phase 1 can be temporarily (movable) partitioned to create another 6 class rooms for various activities. This will make a total of 8 + 6 = 14 class rooms, enough for current activity levels. 2) AARC needs bigger space to accommodate 800 to 1000 people from Vietnamese, Chinese, Indian, South Korean, Cambodian communities. Currently these communities are holding their gatherings in other places, thereby AARC losing revenue. To hold at least 800 people in the space in stage 2 of development, Gallery seating does nor seem to be a good idea. Removable seating seems a better utilization of space and most of the communities seem to like it. One compromise might be to make the floor gradually slopped down from back to front towards the stage. This arrangement can accommodate 800 or more movable chairs and make the stage visible from the back of the room. 3) With so many people using the AARC facility through out the year it may be worthwhile to add a traffic light in the main gate of AARC in Camden road.

Optional question (34 responses, 14 skipped)

Community Meeting #4 Summary

Wednesday, May 1, 2019
6:00 pm – 8:00 pm
Asian American Resource Center, Ballroom
(No Language Services Requested)



At this final community meeting, the final draft master plan concept was presented. Community members were invited to give feedback.



Additional Comments

SpeakUp Austin: Cultural Design Considerations

No.	Contribution	Author
1	Idea: I would like to see the existing facilities being open on Sundays and more week nights when volunteers are more available to run programs. Description: After hour opening	Phil.TrucViet
2	Idea: More availability to the public such as weeknights and entire weekend Description: Events at nights and weekends are ideal for the people in Austin as most of us are busy with weekdays and during business hours.	lananguyen
3	Idea: Please add a multipurpose movie/stage theatre Description: There's already a healthy amount of movies that speak to the Asian and Asian American experience, including award-winning films like WHO KILLED VINCENT CHIN, THE JOY LUCK CLUB, MEET THE PATELS, THE KILLING FIELDS OF DR. HAING S. NGO, ABACUS, etc. With the back to back successes of Asian American stories told by Asian Americans like CRAZY RICH ASIANS, SEARCHING, and TO ALL THE BOYS I LOVED BEFORE, it's opened Hollywood up to fund more Asian American movies, documentaries, and TV shows, and we should prepare ourselves to share our culture and art to the City of Austin. A proper theater (pitched seating for reading subtitles, quality projector and speakers, stage and lighting grid for Q&As and live stage performances, sound board for microphoning multiple speakers, etc.) would allow for easier access to hosting more affordable screening/stage events and more free community screenings/stage events. Austin Asian American Film Festival has long been an advocate for empowering the Asian American voice in media, and we hope the Austin community will support this also.	AndrewLee
4	Idea: Multi-use event spaces: multipurpose room for active use, dance studio, black box theater, proscenium stage theater Description: With more demand for event (classes, screenings, art gallery, rehearsals, performances) spaces, there is a dire need for rooms with different flooring (no carpet) and configuration capability designed for a variety of activities. The MAAC and Carver have a variety of such rooms.	anu
5	Idea: expanded parking lots for large events	anu
6	Idea: 250-300+ capacity theater with stage, fixed seating, full lighting and sound capability Description: The lobby could double as an art gallery space as patrons enter.	anu
7	Idea: More classrooms and meeting rooms that are open on weekends and extended hours	anu
8	Idea: Outdoor amphitheater or event space for festivals and other informal events.	anu
9	Idea: sculpture garden with Asian inspired art installations that can change periodically	anu
10	Idea: Please add the outdoor facilities similar to the attached image.	Jaujiun
11	Idea: Images of Asian Style street at Asian American Resource Center Phase-2 Master Plan Description: Asian style street has been a major character of AARC since its phase-1 master plan. The attached file provides the examples of Asian street, stores, festivals, and parades in Taiwan.	Schiller Liao

Additional Comments

Letter from Simin Sou

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I am very happy to know AARRC is under a plan to develop the scope and is working on a program to enlarge the capacity of this organization. To-day you invite us the seniors to tell our wishes and suggestions in connection with this development. I would like to call your attention ~~attention~~ and concern about ~~about~~ the gap between the ~~pro~~ providing senior lunch and transportation. Many, even most of our folks are not able to drive, they can only depend on the vehicles provided by the Center. But frequently they are disappointed because there are not enough spaces or stops. I suggest your staff to make an investigation to see how many seniors are willing to come to the Center so to properly enlarge the capacity of transportation in the near future.

Simin Sou

Additional Comments

Schiller Liao Response to COA AARC Planner Greg Montes, AARC Master Plan: January 28, 2019

Thank you Schiller for your commitment to the Asian American community and the entire city. I really appreciate the feedback as we are always looking for ways to serve Austinites better. Below are my thoughts and a few questions that will help me assess and improve our process:

- “Master plan information was not well understood”: could you elaborate more on this? For example, did we miss language interpretation service? Was the information too technical? Was the presentation too quick? Help me understand with more specific examples so I can discuss this with our engagement team on what we need to do better. – (SL) It seems that many attendees missed the verbal presentation in Community Meeting #1 and was not aware of the verbal one. In addition, the presentation boards are not big enough and hard for people to correlate the information on the space to the picture itself since most attendees are not trained to read the drawings. It might be better to have two separate presentations in the Community Meeting #2 meeting on 1-31-2019.
- “Lack verbal presentation”: we provided a presentation by PARD staff and the consultant team at the beginning of the meeting. Could you elaborate more regarding community expectations? What type of set up would have been better? Feel free to describe to me what community expectations might look like. – (SL) It seems that the presentation at the beginning of the meeting by PARD and the Consultant team was not well received. How long was the presentation? Has it been continuously projected on the screen to allow attendees to see the information? The Meeting #2 flyer states the following: “This meeting will confirm what we’ve heard so far and focus on developing values that align with the vision of the future of the AARC.” The question is that the presentation of Community Meeting #2 on 1-31-19 will be a revised version based on the information received so far, or it will be the same as the presentation of Meeting #1?
- “Lacks Q&A session”: We had stations set up for participants to ask questions to PARD staff and consultant team. What would have been a better set up? – (SL) People was expecting an opening Q&A with presenters answering questions on the stage. You may want to remind the attendees by using microphone to tell them how the Q&A will be conducted.

The next section addresses several requests and I am providing follow ups:

- “Lack of tree survey result – Number of heritage trees, locations, sizes”: A tree survey is forthcoming and will help determine appropriate locations for future development. What do you think would be the best avenues to share this information with the community? I am thinking the master plan website and a paper copy at the AARC. What else should we do? – (SL) We thought the tree survey was completed already. This survey is important to show citizens why the AARC 15-acre site can’t be used for buildings. Posting it on Master Plan website is one of the ways. Need to present the survey result to community.
- “Does not meet Sub-Chapter E Requirements and Need to show 100-year flood plain”: Thank you for the reminder. At community meeting #1, we had several boards with this information as well as a [Site Analyses Map that shows the 100-year flood plain](#). What other avenues would you recommend to share this information with the community? (SL) Could I or NAAO see the presentation boards and slides before 1-31-2019?
- “Need to include 2006 AARC Master Plan as a basis”: We agree that planning is a long term process and that each phase is a step forward to fulfilling a community vision. PARD and the consultant team are

currently using the Phase 1 Master Plan that was completed in 2006 as a resource. Would you advise us on how you would like us to honor this very important milestone in this process? (SL) Include the 2006 AARC master plan and major images as a portion of the materials in the Community Meeting and make comparison between 2006 plan and the phase-2 master plan in progress.

- “Has not reflected the conclusions of NAAO’s Needs Survey”: The team appreciates the efforts of the NAAO’s work. Your organization is a critical part of our outreach efforts. The NAAO survey results will be incorporated into the overall community engagement summary that will influence the conceptual design of the property. We will share all the progress as we are listening and developing each document. (SL) Understand, however, when and how the “NAAO’s Needs Survey” to be incorporated is not clear to NAAO.
- “Has not reflected the primary concepts of AARC Phase 1 Master Plan”: During our preliminary analysis, we discovered that due to changes in City Ordinances, Development Regulations, and existing on-site vegetation, Phase 2 concepts may not look exactly like Phase 1 concepts. However, we are taking into consideration past and current feedback so we can create a plan that includes the voices of the participants. (SL) Please indicate what have been changed in City Ordinances, Development Regulations, and existing on-site vegetation since 2007 and how each of the change affects the master plan. A broad statement by saying that the changes in City Ordinances, Development Regulations have been changed is not clear and convincing to the community.
- “Site Analysis needs to clearly illustrate areas and difference uses”: the current Site Analysis Maps illustrate current conditions, such as topography, flood plain, existing trees, site circulation and existing infrastructure or facilities. How do you feel would be a better way to share this information with the community? (SL) Bottom line is that we need to know where we can build buildings and where we cannot. On Site Analysis Diagram, it is unclear whether the “Existing Weeded Area” is totally unbuildable or still allowable to build something.
- “Need to show maximum buildable floor areas with a 3-D model”: Thank you for the recommendation. We are not at this stage of the process. We are still listening to ideas and recommendations from the community. Once we finish this phase, PARD and consultant team will develop concepts. Our commitment is to include community participation every step of the way. (SL) Analyses of applicable codes, City Ordinances, Development Regulations and land use should have basic potential buildable floor area for the site based on AARC’s current zoning as “Public District”. The basic information are coverage ratio, volume ratio, etc.
- “Need to locate pedestrian bridge close to existing AARC building”: This is one idea that has reoccurred many times. We are required to follow an assessment process before solidifying. We will share the outcomes of every idea as we analyze all possibilities. (SL) Would like to see its location shown on the plan.
- “Need to consider normal operation and AARC activities during Ph. 2 construction”: Thank you for the reminder. We will work with AARC staff prior to any construction to determine how future build out will impact the AARC and the services they provide. This activity will include a communication plan for current and future users of the facility. (SL) This part needs to be included in the Execution Plan in the AARC Phase-2 Master Plan to see the construction impacts to the current AARC. A project schedule will be needed to illustrate the timeline and sequence of the activities.

Schiller Liao Response to COA AARC Planner Greg Montes, AARC Master Plan: January 28, 2019 (continued)

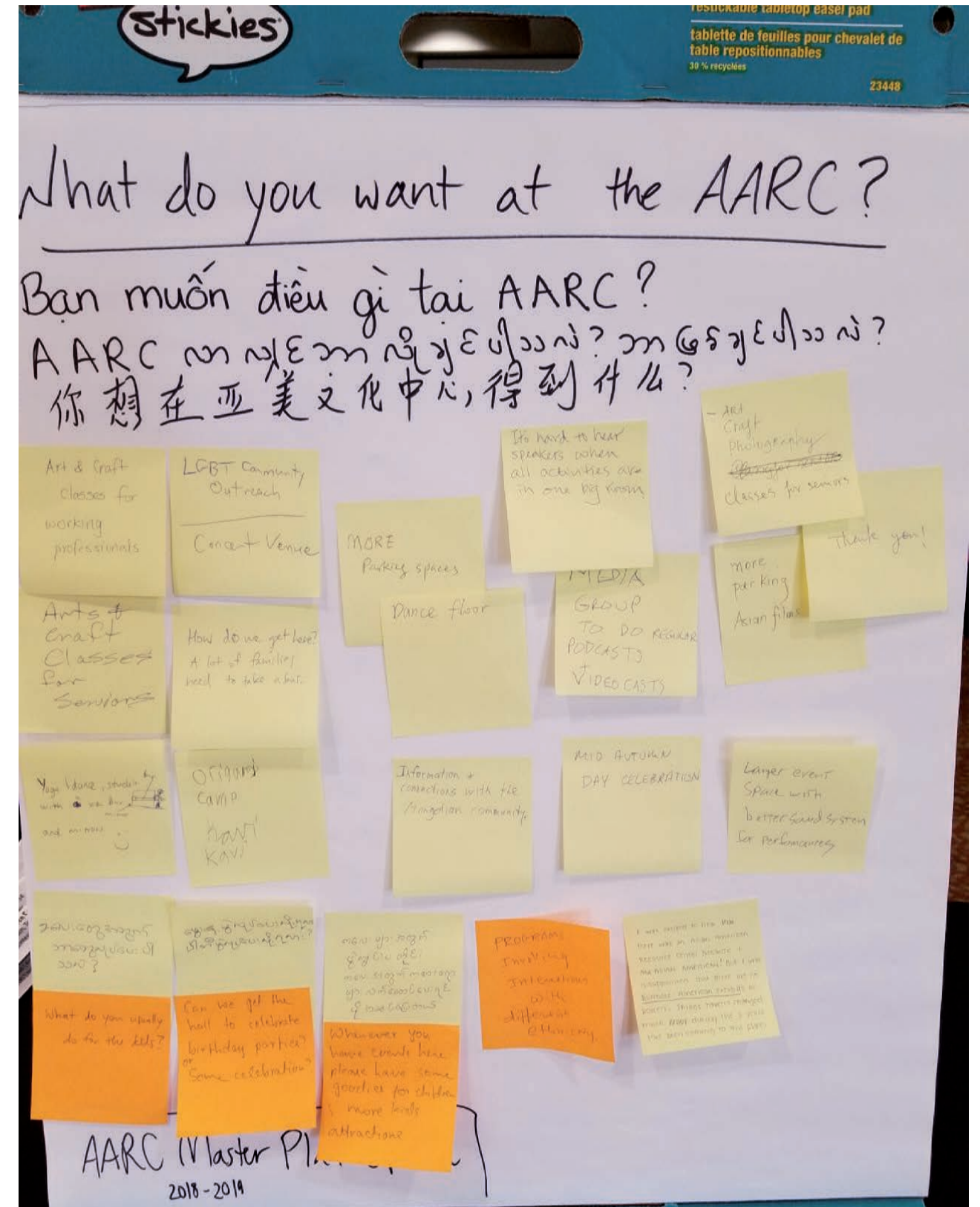
- "All 3 AARC Master Plan Studies (#1, 2, & 3) needs consider the following":
 - "Ph. 2 to be built in 4 – 5 years": I am glad we share the same goal of building as soon as possible. Unfortunately, PARD does not have any special considerations when requesting permitting. We have to follow the same development permit process that developers do including the procurement process for design & construction. Our intention is to move through the development process as efficiently as possible. We will keep everyone in the loop as we move forward on this phase. (SL) Understand that city's permitting process is often taking longer time than planned, however, having a plan to build AARC Phase-2 within 4~5 years is an achievable goal and we cannot use city's permitting as an excuse to have no timeline or schedule for AARC Phase-2 project.
 - "Ph. 2 to be built with \$7.5M budget bond passed by voters": We are excited with this opportunity to serve our community better and we look forward to building a facility that everyone can feel proud of. (SL) Thanks. Community wants to use all \$7.5 M to build AARC Phase-2 spaces. For long term, we can leave it to Phase-3 and look for future funding.
 - "With time and budget constraints, this project need to prioritize spaces based on NAAO survey result (and new survey)": Thank you for the outreach and engagement that created an excellent foundation. We are also happy to the new voices that you have brought to the process and others that are now aware of this project. Priorities will be determined by everyone involved including NAAO. We appreciate your community outreach and engagement efforts that built the foundation of this project. As we continue to include new voices to the Master Planning process, project priorities will be determined by everyone involved including the NAAO. (SL) "NAAO Needs Survey for AARC Phase 2&3" has established its priority. Please let us know the timing for making the revisions to the space priority. NAAO would like to be involved.
 - "Do not waste the land for unnecessary traffic circulation, such as plan a road right next to Cameron Road for all 3 studies": We appreciate your feedback on land use and traffic circulation. The current designs are concepts and explorations of what we have heard so far. As we continue to listen to the community, we will adjust these ideas based on the feedback we receive. (SL) All studies show a road in parallel to Cameron Road. Could you let us know which community group suggested this layout? Or, it is a preliminary thought from Master Planning Team.

C. Next Steps

- “Need to include Asian Community (NAAO) in the Master Plan process to provide input before next community meeting on 01/31/2019”: We are scheduling a meeting with your organization prior to the next meeting. We are hoping that your members will also attend the [Community Meeting #2](#). Please encourage everyone to invite others as well by sharing the following event link: <https://www.facebook.com/events/2181363631884273/>. (SL) Look forward to it. Are you talking about NAAO meeting on 1-30-2019?

Additional Comments

AARC 5th Birthday Anniversary, October 6, 2018: Master Plan Board Question



Additional Comments

Letter from Schiller Liao: July 15, 2019

7-15-2019

Dear Greg and Laura (COA PARD),

Thanks for Greg's phone call and the emails about the presentation dates.

Network of Asian American Organizations (NAAO) had a leadership meeting on 6-29-2019 on the status of AARC Phase-2 Master Plan, the process, and the outcome of the Master Plan so far. Because NAAO has not seen the latest development of the Master Plan after PARD made a presentation of AARC Phase-2 Master Plan to NAAO on May 26, 2019, we would like to have an opportunity to see the latest development of the Master Plan and provide our input before PARD starts making presentations. If we do not see it, we are not certain that we will be in support of the AARC Phase-2 Master Plan.

In Greg Montes email date 6-27-2019, he indicated that several presentations have been tentatively scheduled as follows:

- July 16 – Asian American Quality of Life Commission
- July 31- Network of Asian American Organization
- Aug 12 - Land, Facilities & Programs Committee
- Aug 27 – Parks Board
- Sept 19 - City Council

We sincerely suggest PARD revise the above scheduled presentations until the AARC Phase-2 Master Plan is reviewed by and discussed with NAAO, and then get it updated based on the suggestions from NAAO in order to meet the needs of the community.

Based on NAAO's afore-mentioned leadership discussion on 6-29-19, here are several directions that the AARC Phase-2 Master Plan needs to address:

- A. **Maximize site utilization for Phase-2 and Phase-3:** Current Master Plan has been developed with horizontal layout and its buildings are no more than two stories. It is our opinion that the Master Plan needs to calculate the maximum square footage allowed by the current land zoning purpose and it needs to develop the master plan layout both horizontally and vertically in order to allow for open land available for Phase-3 development, assuming that the Phase-2 budget is unable to accommodate all needed spaces. Based on the NAAO Needs Survey, we would like to see the Master Plan address the needs of the spaces indicated in the following priority order:
- Performance Theater,
 - Senior Housing,
 - Additional Classrooms (including dividing existing AARC Assembly Hall into 8 rooms)
 - Additional Meeting Rooms,
 - Asian Art Studios/Stores,
 - Additional Exhibit Space and
 - Additional Office Spaces.

Additional Comments

Letter from Schiller Liao: July 15, 2019 (Continued)

When some of the spaces is unlikely to be accommodated in the Phase-2 plan and budget, a long-range plan suggesting how to deal those particular items in the Phase-2 Master Plan.

To fulfill the needs of Austin communities, including Asian community, if zoning change of the AARC site is required to expand the story height or to increase buildable square footage, we would be glad to work with PARD and the city to finalize the zoning change process and to maximize the site utilization.


- B. **Optimize parking arrangement:** Parking is the first priority need for outdoor space according to the NAAO's survey. Providing convenient parking in the AARC site and the neighboring 311-Rutfort site linked by a pedestrian bridge for both AARC Phase-2 and AARC Phase-3 future needs to be considered thoroughly. A parking garage structure in the 311-Rutfort site to benefit both 311-Rutfort site and AARC may be needed to best utilize the city's land since AARC's main events are often held on weekends and they need high volume of parking spaces. On the contrary, 311-Rutfort site are usually in their off-hours at weekend and the parking spaces are available for AARC events.
- C. **Use public-private partnership concept:** Current Master Plan has only considered using the public fund to develop the AARC site. This has limited the overall long-term vision of AARC Master Plan, in which bringing in Asian Commercial stores/ Art craft stores, or senior living area is important. Those functions are best suited for public-private partnership in order to increase city's revenue. We encourage PARD and the AARC Master Plan to address this portion, even that Phase-2 budget may not be able to address this portion, but it needs to be planned for future Phase-3.
- D. **Address Performing Arts Theater options and related issues:** Community has expressed divided opinions of what kind of Performing Arts Theater will be needed in the AARC Phase-2. There are three different options: (a) a Performing Arts Theater with 300~ 500 fixed-sloped seating, (b) a Multiple-purpose Performing Arts Theater with 800~1000 flexible seating on flat floor, (c) a combined option of (a) and (b). While this is a decision that needs the community to think further, it is critical for the AARC Phase-2 Master Plan to discuss the following issues for each option:
- Main purpose of the performing arts theater
 - Seating capacity
 - The role in promoting Asian performing arts
 - Frequencies of usage
 - Estimated cost
 - Parking issue
 - Available funding
 - Schedule

The above information will be critical for the community to decide which option to choose. Please let me know if you have any questions. Thanks.

Schiller Liao
Vice President, NAAO AARC Phase-2 Liaison

Additional Comments

Facebook Comments: Presented by Christine Hoang, Color Arc Productions at Small Group Discussion #7: Artists and Creatives on Thursday, January 17, 2019



Christine Hoang
December 10, 2018 · 🌐

HEY AUSTIN CREATIVES! The Asian American Resource Center (AARC) is seeking input for the next building phase of the AARC and they want to make sure voices from our growing creative community are part of the process. I invite you to join me in advocating for a new performance space for our creative community where we can perform live theatre, improv, standup comedy, dance, storytelling, poetry, live music, spoken word, and host film screenings. If you would also like the AARC to create a live performance venue in the next building phase, please "like" and/or post your support in the comments. I will screenshot your support and attach it to a future proposal.

Andrew Lee, Hanna Huang, Yola Lu, Kim Tran, G-Su Paek, Jane Lee, Minda Wei, Virgil Shelby, Norman Tran, Christine W Chen, Nguyen Stanton, Thanh Bui, Betty Soo, Tim Tsai, Huay-Bing Law, Alison Chang, Jerry Damon Chang (JD), Erica Liu, Sharon Hsu, Eric Oeur, Megan Tabaque, Rommel Sulit, Tristan Mercado, Pelita Dasalla Feldman, Tony Le, Gene Zhou, June Lien Abichandani, Le Lien, Winnie Hsia, Chi Reece, KarenandJennie JambonUnderwood, Rudy Ramirez, Lisa B. Thompson, Lilli Lopez, Allegra Jade Fox, Ben G Bazán, Ryan Darbonne, Cortney DeAngelo, Marc A. Pouhé, Tyler Mabry, Jeremy Rashad, Casie Luong, Michelle CT Alexander, Alan Nguyen, Delante Keys, Jesus Valles, Elizabeth V. Newman, Lindsay Doleshal, Caroline Reck, Rosalind Faires,

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Lisa B. Thompson Yes!!! The need for more performance space for creatives is critical to the development of the community of artists so we can continue to contribute to Austin's cultural vitality and add diversity. I fully support all efforts to make that happen.

Like · Reply · 35w

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Marc A. Pouhé Austin creativity is increasing in quality and diversity, while creative spaces are shrinking in number and affordability. I support this endeavor.

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KarenandJennie JambonUnderwood I so appreciated the AARC when we were rehearsing A Girl Named Sue. They proved to be true partners to the Arts. Austin has such a thriving and diverse arts community with so few spaces to showcase that art. The AARC is perfectly poised to become an even better collaborator and partner by expanding their space to include a performance venue.

Like · Reply · 35w

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Melissa Vogt AARC has been a great asset to The Vortex when we needed rehearsal and meeting space. A performance space (and any additional space for rehearsal) would be a huge boon to our artistic community.

Like · Reply · 35w

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Candyce L Rusk Absolutely needed.

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Elizabeth V. Newman Yes please! Austin is in dire need of performance and rehearsal spaces that are available and affordable to our artistic community.

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Rudy Ramirez The AARC and its incredible staff was essential to making PEOPLE OF COLOR CHRISTMAS happen not only at their own space, but at cultural spaces around Austin. A new performance space would be a chance to showcase more POC-centered art and draw connections between the larger Austin theatre community and communities of color. The art will be better, and the city will be better.

Like · Reply · 35w

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Alexandra Russo Th AARC has been vital to creative space issues this city is facing and it is so wonderful to have it is a resource. Including a performance space would not only benefit our theatre community but the community at large and help our city with cultural appreciation and outreach. So many possibilities are opened with a performance space included and I look forward to continued growth of the AARC.

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